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brackets - titles
capital letters - deceased
parentheses - maiden name
- husband
- Mrs.

The Evening Star, January 2, 1981

Eva M. Beck

GARRETT — Eva M. Beck, 71, Ben Mar Chateau Trailer Park, Garrett, died Thursday at 8:10 a.m. in Fort Wayne's Parkview Memorial Hospital. She had lived at Ben Mar Chateau for 1½ years.

A housewife and mother, she was a member of the TOP'S Club in Fort Wayne. She was born in Lafayette, Ind. March 14, 1909 to the late Robert and Ada Remaly. She married Virgil D. Beck in Fort Wayne Sept. 2, 1935. He preceded her in death in 1956.

Surviving are two sons, Richard, Fort Wayne; and David, Pomona, Cal.; three daughters, Mrs. Clayton (Betty) Maggert and Mrs. James (Rita) Boyer, both of Garrett; and Mrs. George (Nancy) Long, Kendallville; two step-sons, Omer Beck, Fort Wayne; and Walter Beck, Belvidere, Ill.; three step-daughters, Mrs. Virgil (Omal) Favory, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Olive Brinkman and Mrs. Earl (Opel) Powers, both of Fairmount, Ind.

Also surviving are eight Remaly brothers, Claude, Rossville, Ind.; Wilbur, Buck Creek, Ind.; and James, Ernest, Harold, Paul, Kenneth, and Chester, all of Lafayette. Two brothers preceded her in death.

Other survivors include six sisters, Mrs. Blanche Adams, Churubusco; Mrs. Ruth Butler, Rossville; Mrs. Edith Peters, Bringhurst, Ind.; Mrs. Doris Cheesman, Kokomo; Mrs. Melba Wilson and Mrs. Edna Wright, both of Lafayette; 34 grandchildren and 12 great-granchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. [illegible] John Hetherington, pastor of Temple Bap[illegible] Church, Garrett, will officiate. Burial will [illegible] in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home a[illegible] 2 p.m. today.

Catherine Dickison

GARRETT — Catherine J. Dickison, 65, Route 1, Garrett, died Wednesday at 9:[illegible] p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital's emergency room. She had been in ill health the past two weeks.

She was born Feb. 20, 1915 in Williams County, Ohio to the late Harry and Doris (Stoffer) Case. She married Donald H. Dickison in Williams County on July 7, 1[illegible]. He survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dona[illegible] Garrett; four daughters, Mrs. Steve (Sun[illegible]) Cook, Huntertown, Ind.; Mrs. John (Sandi[illegible]) Handrich, Reno, Nev.; Mrs. Bob (Sharo[illegible]) Browne, Sacramento, Cal.; and Miss Shir[illegible] Phillips, Saginaw, Mich.; two brother[illegible] Harold Case, Marion, Ohio; and Paul Cas[illegible] Waldron, Mich.; and 13 grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday [illegible] Garrett's First Baptist Church with Re[illegible] Doyle R. Carpenter officiating. Burial will [illegible] in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee Miles Funer[illegible] Home after 3 p.m. Saturday and at t[illegible] church after 1 p.m. Sunday. Preferred memorials are to the First Baptist Church.

The Evening Star, January 3, 1981

Velma Roy

GARRETT — Mrs. Velma R. Roy, 67, Route 1, Garrett, died at 3:10 a.m. Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She had been a resident of this community since 1955.

Mrs. Roy was born Jan. 24, 1913, in Fort Wayne, a daughter of William and Ruth (Cartwright) Coolman, and was married July 29, 1931, in Fort Wayne to Wayne E. Roy. The husband survives.

Also surviving are a son, Steven Roy, Corunna; a brother, Carl Coolman, Three Oaks, Mich., and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Roy was a member of the Alter Star United Methodist Church near Churubusco.

The body is at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. James O'Dell, pastor of the Alter Star United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Edgar 'Pop' Buell

EDON, Ohio — Edgar "Pop" Buell, 67, of rural Hamilton and Bangkok, Thailand, died Tuesday in the Philippines, where he was visiting. He had arrived there less than 24 hours earlier.

Born in Steuben County, April 26, 1913, he was the son of Elson and Clara (Durr) Buell. On Jan. 1, 1936, he married Mattie Lorene Gilbert, who preceded him in death.

Mr. Buell was retired from foreign service for the United States and was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of Hamilton Masonic Lodge; China Post No. 1 Soldiers of Fortune, Shanghai, China; Purple Porpoise of Vietnam and Laos.

Survivors are a daughter, Harriette Gettys of Thorsville, Ohio; a son, Howard Buell of rural Hamilton; three brothers, Elmer Buell of Route 1, Edon; Forrest Buell of Route 2, Hamilton; and Lee Buell of Route 4, Angola; and four grandchildren.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in Edon United Methodist Church, with Rev. Robert Meredith, Rev. Russell Brayton and Rev. Evelyn Beard officiating.

Graveside services will be conducted by Edon American Legion Post 662.

Visitation will be from 2-8:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home.

January 5, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, January 6, 1981

Elwood Savage

ST. JOE — Elwood Savage, 67, St. Joe, died Monday at 4 a.m. in the Fort Wayne Veterans Hospital after a two-year illness. He lived in St. Joe the past 30 years.

Mr. Savage served in the U.S. Army from 1948-1951 and was a retired painter. He was a member of the Butler American Legion Post and the St. Joe Church of Christ.

He was born Aug. 13, 1913 in Fairmont, Minn. His father was the late George Savage. His mother, Laura (Gilman) Schendel, survives in St. Joe.

Also surviving are one daughter, Maxine Hoffman, Mankato, Minn.; three brothers, Melvin Schendel, Garrett; Larry Schendel, Auburn; and Harry Schendel, Saudi Arabia; one sister, Mrs. Robert Musser, St. Joe; and two grandchildren.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at Baidinger-Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Dennis King, pastor of St. Joe Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 3-5 and 7-9 tonight. Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Alan Hardenbrook

Alan C. Hardenbrook, 70, Auburn, died Monday morning at DeKalb Memorial Hospital following an extended illness.

Mr. Hardenbrook retired from the Auburn Warner Gear plant in 1972, and was employed part-time with All State Security at Essex Group, Inc. since his retirement.

He was born March 15, 1910 in Albion, Ind. to Carl and Otelia Hardenbrook.

He is survived by his wife, Janice C. Hardenbrook; one daughter, Sandra Van Bergen, Cincinnati, Ohio; three sons, Daniel A., Long Beach, Calif.; Joseph C., Garrett; John Mark, Cree Lake, Ind.; one sister, Helen A. Michaels, Portland, Ind., and four grandchildren.

His funeral mass will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday in Immaculate Conception Church. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home between 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday. A Rosary service for Mr. Hardenbrook will be held at 7 p.m. Wednesday at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, January 7, 1981

Charles Hathaway

WATERLOO — Charles Hathaway Howard, 87, 330 S. Oak St., Waterloo, died Tuesday at 2:45 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Howard was a veteran of World War I, and a retired, self-employed mechanic.

He was born Feb. 19, 1893 in Edgerton, Ohio to the late William C. and Alice Hathaway. He married Hazel Wherly in Waterloo on Nov. 25, 1920. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Lowell, Waterloo; and Eldon, Phoenix, Ariz.; one daughter, Merlen Howard, Waterloo; one brother; one sister; two grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the Waterloo Masonic Lodge and Eastern Star chapter, and the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday. The Waterloo Masonic Lodge will hold a memorial service in the funeral home at 8 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, January 8, 1981

Ardella Rahrig

GARRETT — Ardella Rahrig, 74, 205 S. Franklin St., Garrett, died at 7:20 p.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she was a patient two days.

A lifelong Garrett resident, Mrs. Rahrig retired in 1971 from Mutual Jobbing in Auburn. Prior to that, she was employed by the Creek Chub Bait, Co of Garrett. She was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett.

She was born July 4, 1906 to the late August and Marie (Kruger) Diederich. Her husband, Alfred Rahrig, preceded her in death in May 1954.

Surviving are two sons, James and Jack Rahrig, both of Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Floyd (Sharon) Butler, Kendallville; one step-son, Howard Rahrig, Detroit, Mich.; two step-daughters, Mrs. Richard (Catherine) Burtch and Mrs. Oliver (Treva) Lovette, both of Garrett.

Also surviving are three brothers, Harry (Dick) and Max (Pete) Diederich, both of Garrett; and Jack Diederich, Butler; two sisters, Mrs. Alma Weimer, Warsaw, Ind.; and Mrs. Leona Niemeier, Fraser, Mich.; and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett after 2 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the church building fund.

Correction

WATERLOO — Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home for Charles H. Howard, 87, who died Tuesday. He lived at 330 S. Oak St.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today. The Waterloo Masonic Lodge will hold a memorial service at 8 tonight in the funeral home.

Wednesday's death notice for Mr. Howard stated incorrectly that he was survived by one brother and a sister. His brother and sister preceded him in death. The Evening Star regrets the error.

January 9,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, January 10, 1981

Robert Aborn

Robert O. Aborn, 47, 219 S. Center St., Auburn, died at 12:30 this morning in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill two weeks.

Born Oct. 13, 1933, in Roscommon, Mich., he was the son of Clair Aborn, who survives in Bluffton, and Margaret (Ketcham) Aborn who, preceded him in death. He married Mable Charlene Cox on March 9, 1957, in Paulding, Ohio. She also survives.

A resident of Auburn the past 16 years, Mr. Aborn was a factory worker at Rieke Corporation.

Other survivors include three daughters, Kenneth (Virginia) Cousino, Garrett; Robin Aborn, at home; and Mrs. James (Lonie) Ellert, Auburn; three sisters, Ida Malston, Angola; Juanita Swift, Anderson; and Marian Guliam, Livonia, Mich.; three borthers, David Aborn, New Hampshire; James Anderson, and Charles Anderson, Alexandria; and four grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home with Rev. Tom Costin officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home.

Otho Schumaker

GARRETT — Otho M. Schumaker, 76, 218 S. Franklin St., Garrett, died at 12:25 p.m. Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born July 21, 1904, in Kittanning, Pa., he was the son of Rev. Frank and Mary (Barnes) Schumaker. He married Helen H. Wessel on Oct. 22, 1933, in Garrett. She survives.

Mr. Schumaker was a 32-year employee of International Harvester, retiring in 1969. He was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Gene (Connie) Shambaugh, Auburn; one son, Dan Schumaker, New Carlisle; two sisters, Mrs. Fleta Crothers, Garrett and Mrs. Verda Woodruff, Garrett; and two grandchildren.

Services will be 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home. The family requests memorials be given to the church building fund.

Ethel May Obendorf

BUTLER — Ethel May Obendorf, 85, 502 Eastern Ave., Butler, died this morning at 2:14 in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 24, 1895 in Williams County, Ohio, she was the daughter of the late Warren and Lorna (McCavitt) Green. She married Frank Obendorf on May 2, 1916. He preceded her in death Jan. 4, 1955.

A resident in the area for 35 years, Mrs. Obendorf was a member of the Butler Church of Christ.

Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Ruby Gruver, Edgerton, Ohio; Mrs. Helen Whitman, Auburn; Mrs. Dorothy Grubb, Auburn; and Miss Sharon Obendorf, at home; one sister, Mrs. Alga Druhot, Butler; 17 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; seven step grandchildren, 16 step great-grandchildren and four step great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Burial will be in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-9 p.m. Sunday and from 10 a.m. until the service Monday

Marie Madden

COLDWATER, Mich. — Marie L. Madden, 88, former area resident, died Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Carlin Park Nursing Home, Coldwater, Michigan, after a one year illness.

Mrs. Madden lived on Hyde Park Drive in Coldwater for the five years prior to her illness. Before then, she lived in Quincy, Mich. and Marion, Ind.

She was born Sept. 2, 1892 in Fort Wayne to the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Figel. On Dec. 24, 1912 she married Frederick W. Madden in Foft Wayne. He preceded her in death on Feb. 26, 1980.

Surviving are one son, Melvin J. Madden, Los Osis, Cal.; one daughter, Mrs. Delores Rathert, Quincy, Mich.; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Putnam Funeral Home, Coldwater. Rev. John W. Anderson, pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will in Lakeview Cemetery, Quincy, Mich.

Friends may call tonight at the funeral home.

Ethel Obendorf

BUTLER — Ethel Mae Obendorf, 85, 502 Eastern Av., Butler, died Saturday at 2:14 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

A lifelong Butler resident, Mrs. Obendorf was a resident on Eastern Avenue for 35 years. She was a member of the Butler Church of Christ.

She was born Oct. 24, 1895 in Williams County, Ohio to the late Warren and Laura (McCavitt) Green. She married Frank Obendorf May 2, 1916. He preceded her in death on Jan. 4, 1955.

Surviving are four sons, Russell, Robert and Richard, all from Butler; and Allen, of Auburn; four daughters, Mrs. Helen Whitman and Mrs. Dorothy Grubb, both of Auburn; Mrs. Ruby Gruver, Edgerton, Ohio; and Miss Sharon Obendorf, at home; and one sister, Mrs. Alta Druhot, Butler.

Also surviving are 17 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; seven step-grandchildren; 16 step great-grandchildren and four step great-great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was held today at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. David Beard, pastor of Butler Church of Christ, officiated. Burial was in Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

Anna Hursey

ST. JOE — Anna M. Hursey, 93, St. Joe, died Sunday at 8:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient there for two days.

Mrs. Hursey was a 72-year resident of the St. Joe area. She was formerly employed at Universal Tool, Sechler Pickles and was a farm wife.

She was born in Belmore, Ohio on Feb. 5, 1887 to the late Jesse and Ada (Speaker) Mann. She married Curtis Hursey at West Union, Ohio in 1908. He preceded her in death on Dec. 8, 1950.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

She was a member of the St. Joe Church of Christ.

Services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Dennis King, pastor of St. Joe Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery at Coburn Corners.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to Coburn Corners Church of Christ.

Walter Wolfe

ANDERSON — Walter Wolfe, 43, of Anderson, died at 5:30 p.m. Sunday in St. Joseph Hospital, Anderson, of a heart attack.

He was born April 1, 1938, in Steuben County, the son of Waldo and Pearl (DeLong) Wolfe. His mother survives in Pleasant Lake.

He married Marianne Harris, who survives.

Mr. Wolfe had lived in Anderson 15 years, where he was a registered pharmacist for Super-X Drugs.

Surviving besides his wife and mother are a daughter, Dee Dee, 12; Mark, 14; Eric, 10; and Todd James, 8, all at home; two sisters, Mrs. Lloyd (Martha) Routsong, Las Vegas, Nev., and Mrs. Herman (Marian) Hepner of Kendallville; and a brother, Lewis Wolfe of Pleasant Lake.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday at Bright-Wilson-St. Pierre Chapel, Anderson.

Burial will be in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Pleasant Lake.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday.

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Merl Smith

KENDALLVILLE — Merl S. Smith, 93, of Rome City, died at 2 p.m. Saturday at Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Born in DeKalb County, July 3, 1887, he was the son of Edward and Adeliade (Shade) Smith. On Dec. 26, 1907, in Auburn, he married Bessie E. Potts, who preceded him in death on March 17, 1978.

Survivors are two daughters, Helen B. Smeltzer of Fort Wayne and Mrs. Irene E. Melching of St. Petersburg, Fla., 11 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A sister preceded him in death.

Services wil be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Gerald Hewson of the Rome City United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-9 p.m. today.

Herman DePew

GARRETT — Herman DePew, 87, formerly of 706 S. Guilford St., Garrett, died Saturday at 9:25 p.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, where he had lived since Sept. 1969.

Mr. DePew was a salesman for W.T. Raleigh Co., retiring in in 1958 after 40 years service. He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett, and the church's Holy Name Society.

He was born in DeKalb County Sept. 8, 1893 to the late John and Rebecca (DeLong) DePew. On Sept. 13, 1912, he married Helen M. Carteaux in Albion. She preceded him in death in April 1968.

Surviving are one son, Paul DePew, Gulfport, Miss.; seven daughters, Mrs. Harold (Connie) Engler, Mrs. Marge Johnson, Mrs. Joe (Dori) Mueller, Mrs. Harris (Ann) Hoeffel and Mrs. Keith (Josie) Flesch, all of Garrett; Mrs. Hermine Meyer, Avilla; and Mrs. Alphonsus (Guinevere) Meyer, Columbia City; 31 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

One son, three brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Rev. Adam Schmitt will officiate. Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, Avilla.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. A rosary service will be held in the funeral home at 7:45 tonight. Memorials to Sacred Heart Home or St. Joseph's School are preferred.

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Hattie Weible

LAGRANGE — Hattie E. Weible, 63, Route 2, LaGrange, died at 9:30 a.m. Monday at her residence from an apparent heart attack.

Born March 7, 1917, in Salyersville, Ky., she was the daughter of Ollie and Lula (Birchfield) Patrick. Her father survives in Sturgis, Mich. On Sept. 13, 1934, in Valentine, Neb., she married Harry Weible, who survives.

Surviving besides her husband are three daughters, Patricia Weible of Fort Wayne, Barbara Sue Weible and Kay Weible, both of LaGrange; three sons, Willis Weible of LaGrange, Raymond Weible of Topeka, and Roger Weible of Deshler, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Wayne (Mildred) Hamlet of Waterloo, Mrs. Charles (Opal) Meese and Mrs. Eldon (Jean) Eash, both of Sturgis; two brothers, Everette Patrick and Charlie Patrick, both of Sturgis; 12 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Carney-Frost Funeral Home, LaGrange, with Rev. Ronald Drake of LaGrange Church of God officiating.

Burial will be in Ontario Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

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Hulda Crabill

Hulda J. M. Crabill, 82, 211 E. Sixteenth St., Auburn, died at 10 a.m. Tuesday in her home. She had been ill for one week.

Born Feb. 2, 1898, in Garrett, she was the daughter of John and Mary (Bartles) Duchow, of Garrett. Her late husband, Alva Crabill, preceded her in death in 1950.

Mrs. Crabill was a retired housewife, and an Auburn resident for 21 years.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Elmer (Bernice) Robinson, Idaho; Ruthella Shull, Auburn; and Mrs. Vera Hurni, Auburn; and two sons, Robert Shull, California; and Alva Crabill, Butler; one brother, Paul Duchow, Garrett; two sisters, Ruth Duchow, Garrett; and Mrs. Fred Diederich, Garrett; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Garrett's Zion Lutheran Church, with Rev. Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

Friends may call after 3 p.m. Thursday at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. The family requests memorials be given to Zion Lutheran Church.

The Evening Star, January 15, 1981

Dorval A. Knott

WATERLOO — Dorval A. Knott, 62, Route 1, Waterloo, died Tuesday at 12:05 p.m. in DeKalb Memeorial Hospital. He had been ill for two years, and had been hospitalized for one week.

Born March 27, 1918 in Whitley County, he was the son of Simon and Frances (Miller) Knott. He was never married. He was a resident of Waterloo for 20 years.

Survivors include one brother, Cleon B. Knott, Waterloo; and one sister, Clara Bell Hullinger, Butler. One brother preceded him in death.

Services will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Minister Robert Staup of Hudson officiating. Friends may call after 7 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Crabill service changed

Funeral services for Hulda Crabill, 82, 211 E. Sixteenth St., Auburn, who died at 10 a.m. Tuesday, have been changed to the Dilgard, Cline & Southern funeral home at 2 p.m. Friday. Pastor George W. Schuette of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery near Garrett.

Byrdena Howe

Byrdena J. Howe, 86, a resident of the Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, since September 1980, died there Thursday at 3:52 p.m.

She was born in Steuben County, Jan. 30, 1894, the daughter of Joseph and Vinnie (Galloway) Wehrly. On June 15, 1916, in LaGrange, she married Willard Leroy Howe, who preceded her in death March 1, 1965.

Mrs. Howe had resided in LaGrange before moving to Avilla.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Florence Notestine, Route 2, LaGrange; a son, Russell "Bud" Howe of Route 1, Hudson; a sister, Mrs. Albert (Neva) Howe of LaGrange; eight grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Two sisters and one brother preceded her in death.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Vern Noll of Ashley officiating.

Burial will be in Wright Cemetery, Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Preferred memorials are to the Sacred Heart Home building fund or the LaGrange County Cancer Society.

Richard Garty

HUDSON — Richard J. Garty, 75, of Route 1, Hudson, died at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the LaGrange Hospital. He had been ill six months.

Born in Auburn Sept. 18, 1905, he was the son of John and Elizabeth (Crow) Garty. On March 3, 1942, in Pontiac, Mich., he married Vera Hoopingarner, who survives.

Mr. Garty was a retired employee of Messenger Corp., Auburn.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Joseph (Linda) Tritch of Route 1, Hudson; a sister, Mrs. Ethelrita Kramer of Fort Wayne; two nephews; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. George Schroeder and Rev. Carl Lott officiating.

Burial will be in Wright Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Saturday and from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Memorials may be made to the Helmer United Methodist Church building fund or the church of the donor's choice.

Edward Kingsbury

Edward R. Kingsbury, 69, 814 E. Seventh St., Auburn, died Thursday at 8:25 p.m in Betz Nursing Home. He had been in failing health for two years.

He was a retired architectural engineer for L.S. Ayres Co. in Indianapolis. He moved back to Auburn in retirement in 1979.

He was born in DeKalb Co. on July 30, 1911. His parents were Charles and Dessie (Muhn) Kingsbury. His mother survives in Auburn. Also surviving is one daughter, Janet Grady, San Francisco.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Monday in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. Ron Oglesbee, pastor of Auburn Presbyterian Church, will officiate.

There will be no calling hours.

Dotty J. Bollet

Dotty J. Bollet, 52, 16 Hickory, Chelsea, Mich., died at 7:55 p.m. Wednesday, at the University of Michigan Medical Center. She had been ill for two days.

Bollet had moved to Auburn in 1964, and moved to Chelsea, Mich. in 1975. She was the daughter of Mrs. Kenneth Orpha Kovy, of Marion, who survives. She married Ronald Bollet, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Roderick and Lance, both of Chelsea; one brother, Max Collins, Marion; two sisters, Mrs. Charles (Betty) Southgate, Marion; and Mrs. Kapherine Stark, Huntington, and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Bollet was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Auburn and of the Tri-Kappa Sorority in Auburn.

Services will be at 3 p.m. Sunday at the Devine Colonial Mortuary, 901 N. West Avenue, Marion, with the Reverend Sam Stone officiating.

Burial will be at the Marion IOOF Cemetery at 11 a.m. Monday. Friends may call at the mortuary from 2 to 9 p.m. saturday and from 12 noon to 3 p.m. Sunday.

Arthur Hopkins

GARRETT — Arthur L. Hopkins, 71, 713 S. Lee St., Garrett, died Thursday at 8:06 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital at Auburn.

Mr. Hopkins retired in 1972 from the B&O Railroad, where he was Chief Clerk of Trainmasters and Road Foremen. He was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Navy, and a 33-year resident of Garrett.

He was born in Washington, Ind. on June 18, 1909. His parents were the late Walter and Nellie (Palmer) Hopkins.

He was married Jan. 5, 1930 in Garrett to LaVora Miller, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John (Diane) Costin, Garrett; and Mrs. Jack (Rita) Lumm, Kokomo; one son, Sam, Kendallville; one brother, Charles, Akron, Ohio; 23 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

One son, Art, and a daughter, Sandy Lautzenhiser, preceded him in death.

He was a member of the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Garrett City F&AM, Scottish Rite, Royal Arch Masons, Commandry, and Order of Eastern Star. He was also a member of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church.

His funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of Garrett United Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, with military graveside services by the American Legion and V.F.W.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. today. There will be a Masonic service at 8 tonight.

Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Society.

Lloyd Ranney

Lloyd Edward Ranney, 73, 703 W. Helen St., Auburn, died Friday at 10:21 a.m. at Betz Nursing Home.

Mr. Ranney was born April 27, 1907, in Auburn, the son of James and Mary (Alvina) Ranney. He was a retired employe of the City of Auburn.

He was married in 1955 to Goldie Reeves, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Delores Harris, Auburn; one son, Donard Ranney, Miami, Fla.; one sister, Ismay Sands, Texas; and one grandson. Three brothers and one sister preceded Mr. Ranney in death.

Funeral services will be Monday at 11 a.m. at the Bale Funeral Home, the Rev. Carl Greek, pastor of the Auburn Nazarene Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. tonight.

Berdeta Swogger

Mrs. Berdeta (Pete) Swogger, 70, Route 3, Wolcottville, died Thursday at the Scottsdale, Arizona, Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Swogger was born Aug. 6, 1910, in LaGrange County, the daughter of Royal and Stella (Fish) Blackman.

She was married in LaGrange on Aug. 29, 1933, to Walter Swogger, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Dave Swogger, Corunna; two sisters, Wahneta Hose, California, and Jean Weiss, Wisconsin; and two grandchildren. One son and one daughter preceded Mrs. Swogger in death.

Mrs. Swogger was a member of Zion Lutheran Church.

Funeral services will be Monday at 2 p.m. at the Hite Funeral Home in Kendallville, the Rev. W.E. Allen officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Preferred memorials are to the Zion Lutheran Church.

Myrtle Hadley

GARRETT — Myrtle P. Hadley, 94, died at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home Friday at 3:20 p.m. She had lived in the nursing home for five years.

Born May 5, 1886 in Garrett, she was the daughter of John and Pluma (Davis) Hadley. She married Frank Hadley, who died in 1944. She had lived most of her life in Big Rapids, Mich. There were no children.

Survivors include one brother, Jess Harvey, Carlton, Oregon; and several nieces and nephews in the Garrett area.

Services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. in the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Rev. Allen Reed of the Garrett Presbyterian Church will officiate. Friends may call between 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Burial will be at the Cedar Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett.

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Josie B. Baltz

GARRETT — Josie B. Baltz, 94, Route 1, Garrett, died Sunday at 10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient there for one week.

Mrs. Baltz was born Aug. 3, 1886 in Altona to the late John and Susannah (Allman) Maggert. She had been a Garrett resident since 1910.

She was a housewife. She married Frank Baltz on Feb. 6, 1910 in Altona. He preceded her in death in 1958.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Roger (Erma Jean) Stebing, Garrett, and one grandchild.

She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star at Spencerville and St. Peter's Lutheran Church at Spencerville.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Officiating will be Pastor George Schuette of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn. Burial will be in White City Cemetery, Spencerville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. There will be an Eastern Star service at 8 tonight.

Leo Dennis

Leo R. Dennis, 74, 704 E. Fifth St., Auburn, died Saturday in Fort Wayne's Parkview Memorial Hospital after a two-week illness. He had been a patient at Parkview for three days.

Mr. Dennis was a Fifth Street resident for 20 years. He worked as a supervisor of Warner Gear's accounting and payroll department, and had been retired several years. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Auburn, and the Odd Fellows Lodge.

He was born Sept. 2, 1906 in West Bethel, Pa. to the late Wesley R. and Etta O. (Griffin) Dennis. He married Theo Lane in Garrett on Sept. 15, 1927. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Martin Dennis, Lake Linden, Mich.; one daughter, Mrs. Stuart (Patricia) Wilson, Troy, Mich.; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild. One brother preceded him in death.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Presbyterian Church with Rev. Ronald Oglesbee officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral home after 4 p.m. today and until 10 a.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the DeKalb Heart Association.

The Evening Star, January 19, 1981

Georgia Watkins

HAMILTON — Services for Georgia Watkins, 88, of Route 2, Hamilton, who died Friday morning in St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, were held at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton. Rev. Harley Martin of Wellsley United Methodist Church officiated.

Burial followed in Circle Cemetery.

She was born Feb. 17, 1892, in Oxford Township, Ontario, Canada, the daughter of William and Mary (Carr) Todd. In Hamilton in 1911, she married Roscoe Watkins, who preceded her in death in 1941.

Mrs. Watkins was a lifetime Hamilton area resident and a member of Eastern Star of Angola and Rebekah Lodge, Pythian Sisters and Study Club, all in Hamilton.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Mary Lowe of Bryan, Ohio and Mrs. Marjorie McFadden of Columbus, Ohio; three sons, Lyle Watkins, Quentin Watkins and Robert Watkins, all of Hamilton; a sister, Mrs. Carrie Hotchkiss of Strafordsville, Ontario, Canada; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Reba Eberly

HAMILTON — Services for Reba Eberly, 79, of Waterloo, who died Friday evening in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, were held at 2 p.m. today in Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton. Rev. Robert Dexter of the Waterloo United Methodist Church officiated.

Burial was in Waterloo Cemetery.

Born Aug. 20, 1901, in Waterloo, she was the daughter of Rufus and Margaret DeLong. She married Russell Eberly, who preceded her in death in 1961.

Surviving are a sister Audrey Cerney of Eustis, Fla., a niece and nephews.

January 20, 1891 No obituaries

The Evening Star, January 21, 1981

George R. Luker

LEO — George R. Luker, 66, Leo, died at about 12:30 a.m. Tuesday at his home. He had been a resident of the area since 1942.

Mr. Luker retired four years ago from Fort Wayne Magnavox where he worked as a tool designer. He was a member of Spencerville United Methodist Church; Concord Lodge F&AM; Spencerville Order of Eastern Star; and Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne.

He was born Feb. 22, 1914 in Marion, Ind. to the late Francis M. and Mary Ellen (Barber) Luker. His wife, Maxine Luker, preceded him in death.

Surviving are one son, James, and one daughter, Mrs. Janet Lynne, both of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Larry Luker, Andrews; and J. Forrest Luker, Dunkirk; one sister, Dorothy Bostel, Huntington; and five grandchildren.

His funeral will be 11 a.m. Friday in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Rev. James Price, pastor of Spencerville United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Andrews.

The Concord Masonic Lodge will hold a memorial service for Mr. Luker Thursday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

William Cassady

FORT WAYNE — William Haxton Cassady, age 2½, died Tuesday at 4:45 a.m. in Vernon Manor Children's Home, Wabash.

He was the son of William F. and Jackie (Mavis) Cassady, 7301 Bradbury Dr., Fort Wayne. He was born Sept. 7, 1979.

Also surviving are paternal grandparents William F. and Jeanne Cassady, Auburn; maternal grandparents Jack and Julia Mavis, Auburn; three great-grandmothers, Lillian Otto, Auburn; Mrs. Marion B. Cassady, Pompano Beach, Fla.; and Mrs. Gertie Mavis, Edgerton, Ohio; a brother, Brett; and a step-brother, Brian Michael Runion.

Private funeral services are planned. Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Chester Bard

CORUNNA — Chester W. Bard, 77, 100 South St., Corunna, died Wednesday at 11:45 p.m. in his home. Mr. Bard was a DeKalb County Highway Department worker for 22 years, retiring in 1973.

He was born in Noble County on Aug. 18, 1903 to the late Edwin T. and Jennie (Benjamin) Bard. He married Rachel Becker in New Cumberland, W. Va. on Sept. 12, 1936. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Carl, Garrett; and Don, Birmingham, Ala.; two brothers, Howard, Corunna; and Robert, Auburn; three sisters, Mrs. Edith Wilhelm, Waterloo; Mrs. Dorothy Sellers, Auburn; and Mrs. Mina Hawk, Geneva, Pa.; and seven grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 11 a.m. Saturday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Bob Monroe of the Corunna Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Helen Snow

Helen Gould Snow, 72, formerly of Auburn, died early this morning in Marion General Hospital after a two-month illness. Mrs. Snow was manager of the Auburn Credit Bureau for 22 years before her retirement in 1974.

She moved to Marion in 1976 and resided in the Bradner Village Retirement Home until the time of her illness. She was a member of Auburn Presbyterian Church.

She was born June 7, 1908 in Kokomo to the late William and Nina (Pope) Gould.

She is survived by a nephew and three cousins; one sister preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be 1 p.m. Saturday at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home with Rev. Ronald Oglesbee, pastor of Auburn Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will be in Lindenwood Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Friday and from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday.

The Evening Star, January 23, 1981

Mary Ellen Lowman

WATERLOO — Mary Ellen Lowman, 79, Route 1, Waterloo, died at 4:10 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient 10 days.

A housewife and mother, Mrs. Lowman resided in rural Waterloo for nearly 60 years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Auburn; Minverva Club and Stitch & Chatter Club, Waterloo.

She was born May 7, 1901 in Schumm, Ohio to the late William and Harriett (Rawley) Colter. On May 7, 1921, she married Lester Lowman in Jackson, Mich. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Don, Waterloo; Richard, Naperville, Ill.; and John, Waterville, Ohio; one sister, Mrs. Francis Myers, Wilshire, Ohio; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. One sister preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Monday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

January 24, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, January 26, 1981

Goldie Ranney

Goldie M. Ranney, 81, formerly of 706 W. Helen St., Auburn, died Saturday at 8:35 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, where she had lived since June 1980. Prior to that, she lived on Helen Street for 26 years.

Mrs. Ranney was a homemaker and member of the Auburn Church of the Nazarene.

She was born May 25, 1899 in Garrett to the late Frank and Hattie (Cobie) Reeves. She married Lloyd Ranney in Angola on her birthday. Mr. Ranney preceded her in death Jan. 16, 1981.

Surviving are three nephews, Wilbur Kruger, Garrett; Floyd Kruger, Kendallville; and Kenneth Kruger, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett with Rev. Carl Greek, pastor of Auburn's Church of the Nazarene, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 7-9 tonight. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Flora Henderson

WATERLOO — Flora (Mae) Henderson, 78, 225 S. Washington St., Waterloo, died at 4:45 p.m. Saturday in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient for three days.

A homemaker, and a cook in several area restaurants for many years, Mrs. Henderson lived in Waterloo all her life.

She was born on Nov. 4, 1902 in Putnam, Ohio to the late Emerald and Flossie (Richards) Clear. On Oct. 3, 1911 in Putnam County, she married Curtis Leroy Henderson. He preceded her in death on Jan. 28, 1966.

Survivors include two sons, Gearld (Jerry), of Garrett; and Glen Lee, of Onica N.Y.; two daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Willard, Butler; and Mrs. Sylvia Carroll, Waterloo; one brother, Don Clear, Kendallville; two sisters, Mrs. Irene Chadwick, Angola; and Mrs. Lela Schmidt, Butler; 33 grandchildren and 40 great-grandchildren.

Two sisters, three brothers, two sons and one daughter preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Big Run Cemetery east of Butler.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home after 3 p.m. today.

Henry Gschwend

Dr. Henry F. Gschwend, 92, died Monday at 7 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he lived the past eight months. He was a five-year resident of Auburn.

Dr. Gschwend was a veterinarian from Waterville, Ohio. When he retired in 1976, he was the oldest veterinarian in Ohio, with 52 years of practice in the Waterville area.

He was also farm manager of the Masonic Home at Waterville, and the oldest member of Waterville's Zion Lutheran Church. He was a Mason for 67 years.

He was born July 23, 1888 at Waterville. He married Willa June (Russell), who preceded him in death on Dec. 26, 1978.

Surviving are one son, Ned, of Brandon Road, Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Rose Schaller, Waterville, Ohio; and two granddaughters.

His funeral will be in Merriaman-Wells Funeral Home, Waterville, at 1 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be in Wakeman Cemetery at Waterville.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to Zion Lutheran Church.

Lena Holse

HUDSON — Lena Holse, 92, a former Angola resident, died Monday at 1:40 p.m. in the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Born in Aarhus, Sweden on Oct. 12, 1888, she was the daughter of Michael Peter and Kirstin (Martonsen) Jensen. She married Rudolph Holse, who preceded her in death on Dec. 7, 1964. Mrs. Holse has resided in the United States since 1908.

Surviving are a daughter, Mr. LaVerne (Esther) Feichter of Fort Wayne; five sons, John Holse of Rome City, Ray Holse of Fort Wayne, Jack Holse of Rochester, Robert Holse of rural Ashley and Frank Holse of Burbank, Calif.; 16 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson.

Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Nell Webster

WILLISTON, N.D. — Nell Webster, 77, died Monday at her home here. She was the mother of Susan Rieke, Auburn.

She is survived by her husband Willard, who she married on Nov. 4, 1939 in Minot, N.D. Other survivors include three daughters: Susan Rieke, Auburn; Joan Sathe, Waynesboro, Va.; Toni Wright, Brownwood, Texas; and seven grandchildren.

Services will be held for Mrs. Webster on Wednesday at the Everson Funeral Home in Williston.

January 28, 1981 No obituaries

Okla Eberly

CHURUBUSCO — Okla M. Eberly, 76, of Route 3, Churubusco, died at 11:45 a.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient since Jan. 17.

Born Dec. 18, 1904, in Green Township, Noble County, she was the daughter of Frank and Della (McCoy) Shambaugh. On Dec. 25, 1923, she married Leslie Eberly, who preceded her in death Aug. 9, 1958.

Mrs. Eberly had resided on the family farm in Noble County for 53 years and was a member of Charter Oak Church.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Leo (Helen) Boggs and Mrs. Frank (Ila) Hosler, both of Columbia City, and Mrs. Melvin (Naomi) Yates of Fort Wayne; and two brothers, Ora Shambaugh of Butler and Harold "Pete" Shambaugh of Route 1, Churubusco.

A brother and a sister preceded her in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with Rev. William Claxton and Rev. Michael Harris officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. tonight and from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Carl Hale

Carl Ken Hale, 35, of Corunna, died at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, from head injuries received when a tree limb fell on him while he was cutting firewood.

Born in Dante, Va., March 21, 1945, he was the son of Raymond E. and Margie (Beavers) Hale. His father survives in Dante. On Sept. 8, 1965, in Lisbon, he married Peggy Hess, who also survives.

Mr. Hale had lived in this area 17 years after moving from War, W.Va. He was a foreman at Auburn Foundry in Auburn and was a founding and charter member of First Free Will Baptist Church in Corunna.

Surviving with his wife and father are four sons, Carl Hale Jr., 13, John Hale, 12, Glenn Hale, 10, and Brad Hale, 7, all at home; eight sisters, Mrs. Shirley Wallace, Roersville, Tenn., Mrs. Ella Mae Hess in Georgia, Mrs. Molly McCoy, Evelyn Hale, Polly Hale, Betty Hale and Mary Hale, all of Dante, and Darlene Hale of Tramble, Va.; and three brothers, Lee Hale, Joe Hale and Wilburn Hale, all of Dante.

Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Friday in the First Free Will Baptist Church, Corunna, with Pastor Philip Puckett officiating.

Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the church after 1 p.m. Thursday.

The Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, January 29, 1981

Dale Schworm

Dale M. Schworm, 74, Route 3, Howe, Ind. died Wednesday at 7:50 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor nursing home, LaGrange.

He was the step-father of Mrs. Robert (Marilyn) Morr, Auburn.

Mr. Schworm was retired from Ross Laboratory in Sturgis, Mich. He was born in LaGrange County, Ind. on Aug. 26, 1906 to the late John William and Sarah (Bixler) Schworm. He married Grace DePew on Feb. 8, 1951. She survives. His first wife, Erma Urick, preceded him in death in 1945.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Marilyn Ely, Phoenix; Mrs. Harriett McKerlie, Bradenton, Fla.; and Mrs. Carol Combs, Howe; three step-daughters, Mrs. Russell (Beverly) Freeman, Avilla; Mrs. Robert (Marilyn) Morr, Auburn; and Mrs. Dale (Wilma) Summey, Sturgis, Mich.; a brother, John Schworm, Sturgis; and one sister, Mrs. Alma Pfund, Adrian, Mich.; 21 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. One son preceded him in death.

He was a member of the English Prairie Church of the Brethren.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in Shoup-Carney-Frost Funeral Home, Howe, Ind. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, Howe.

Friends may call from 3-9 p.m. Friday at the funeral home. Memorials to the LaGrange County Cancer Society are preferred.

January 30, 1981 No Obituaries

The Evening Star, January 31, 1981

Danny Kester

Danny Kester, 28, Route 2, Auburn, died at 11:20 p.m. Friday in Bethesda Hospital, Cinncinnati, Ohio, where he had been a patient three days.

Born May 21, 1952 in Fort Wayne, he was the son of Ralph and Donna (Rodebaugh) Kester, of Route 2, Auburn. He was a lifetime resident of the Auburn area.

Other survivors include one daughter, Dannetta Kester, Angola; one son, Luke Kester, Angola; and two sisters, Laurie Kester, home, and Debbie Kester, Grabill.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, with Rev. Eugene Woolever officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Monday.

Joseph Miller

BUTLER — Joseph Glenn Miller, 90, died at 10:35 p.m. Friday in the Byron Health Center in Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Sept. 5, 1980.

Born in Stafford Township of DeKalb County, Mr. Miller lived there many years and then moved to Cederville, Ind.

Survivors include two nephews and four nieces.

Graveside services will be Monday at 11 a.m. in Butler Cemetery.

Calling will be in the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Pauline Wyatt

Pauline Wyatt, 78, 350 W. Fourth St., Auburn, died Sunday at 3:45 a:m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been ill for 18 months and a patient at the hospital since last Tuesday.

Mr. Wyatt was a retired employee of Messenger Corporation, and also was a longtime employee of the former Auburn Auto Co. She was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Air Force, Women's Army Corps.

She was born in DeKalb County on Sept. 18, 1902, and was a lifetime resident of the area. Her parents were the late Ira C. and Ida May (Garman) Williams.

She married Alvin Wyatt on Jan. 1, 1924 in Auburn. He preceded her in death on Nov. 20, 1939.

Surviving are a sister, Lenore Williams, and an uncle, Harry Garman, both of Auburn.

She was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church, DeKalb Post 97 of the American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary and Women of the Moose.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Bale Funeral Home. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of Auburn First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 tonight and from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials to the First United Methodist Church or the DeKalb Humane Society are preferred.

Robert Moody

BUTLER — Robert W. Moody, 55, Ind. 1, Butler, was found dead in his home on Sunday. He had undergone open-heart surgery in 1973.

He was employed as a master electrician at Dana Corporation in Auburn.

He was born in Garrett on April 28, 1925 to Burch and Lillian Moody. He lived all of his life in the DeKalb County area.

He is survived by a daughter, Suzanne Kalberer, Seattle, Wash.; by Carolyn Moody; by a sister, Mary Whitaker, Fort Wayne; and a brother, Melvin, Chicago.

He was a veteran of World War II, serving in the U.S. Navy, and was a member of the American Legion.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Bale Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Ron Oglesbee, pastor of Auburn Presbyterian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Edna Weirick

Edna M. Weirick, 86, of 502 Garden St., Kendallville, died at 11:20 a.m. Saturday in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

She was born in DeKalb County on July 25, 1894, the daughter of John and Florence (Elson) Husselman. She married LeRoy Weirick, who preceded her in death in 1965.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jack (Betty) North of Wolcottville and Mrs. Veryl (Joan) Weimer of Fort Wayne; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A daughter, one brother and one sister preceded her in death.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Paul R. Temple officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Memorials may be made to the charity of the donor's choice.

February 3, 1981 No obituaries

Avada Crain

HAMILTON — Avada Crain, 62, Hamilton, died Monday morning in Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie, after an illness of six months.

She retired in 1979 from Metropolitan School District of Steuben County in Angola. She was a teacher for over 20 years. She was born in Steuben County on Jan. 5, 1919 to the late Wayne and Ruby (Fee) Nickols.

Her husband, Jack, preceded her in death in 1968.

Surviving are two daughters, Kay Neal and Mrs. Everett (Karen) Cole, both of New Castle, Ind. three stepdaughters, Mrs. Ellsworth (Sherry) Smith, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Gerald (Joan) Gnagy, Hamilton; and Mrs. Tom (Jeanne) Richardville, Missouri City, Texas; one brother, Jack B. Nickols, Montpelier, Ind.; four grandchildren and nine stepgrandchildren. Her funeral will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton. Rev. Larry Buford will officiate. Burial will be in Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

Roy Robbins

BUTLER — Roy Robbins, 73, 116 E. Cherry St., Butler, died Tuesday at 3:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient one day.

Mr. Robbins was a lifelong DeKalb County resident and was owner of Robbins Shoe Repair in Butler before his recent retirement. Prior to that, he was a retired employee of Universal Tool & Stamping.

He was a member of Butler United Methodist Church, and Forest Lodge F&AM, Butler.

He was born August 19, 1907 in Jackson Township to the late Leon and Viola (Cool) Robbins. He married Irene Gunsenhowser in Auburn on June 7, 1928. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Marceline Davis, Butler; Mrs. Anita Shultz, Auburn; and Mrs. Sue Ulm, Fort Wayne; two sons, Alan, Mesquite, Texas; and Dennis, Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Mabel Lyons and Mrs. Georgie Openlander, both of Auburn; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Two brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Friday at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler with Rev. John Wortinger and Rev. William Harmon officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 7-9 tonight, and from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

The Butler Masonic Lodge will hold a memorial service for Mr. Robbins at 7 p.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, February 5, 1981

John Molargik

CHURUBUSCO — John Molargik, 92, of Route 1, Avilla, died at 2:05 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, from injuries received in an automobile accident Jan. 28 at the south edge of Avilla.

Born June 21, 1888, in Noble County, he was the son of Cashmere and Barbara (Schmidt) Molargik. On Sept. 8, 1914, he married Rosalia Konger, who preceded him in death on July 18, 1976.

Mr. Molargik had resided in the Ege community in Noble County most of his life. He was a member of the Ege Immaculate Conception Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Andrew (Agnes) Hollis of Garrett; a son, Leo Molargik of Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Graves of Auburn and Mrs. Lucille Wade of Fort Wayne; a brother, Joseph Molargik of Fort Wayne; seven grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

He was also preceded in death by three brothers and two sisters.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Ege Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with Rev. Donald Isenbarger officiating.

Burial will be in the Ege Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Friday at the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, where rosary will be recited at 8 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, February 6, 1981

Robert Berg

Robert C. Berg, 63, 109 W. Fourth St., Auburn, died in his home Thursday at 9 p.m. Mr. Berg owned the former Berg Bottling Co. and Berg 7-Up Bottling Co. in Auburn. More recently, he ran B&D's Carbonic Service.

A World War II veteran, he was a member of the Auburn Immaculate Conception Church, American Legion, Moose, and Elks.

He was born Oct. 2, 1917 to the late Phillip J. and Ida Marie (Harris) Berg. He married Dorothea Maxwell in Auburn on April 11, 1942. She survives.

Also suriving are one daughter, Mrs. George (Becky) Morr, Auburn; two sons, Steven Berg, Fort Wayne; and Douglas, South Bend; a brother, Harris J. Berg, Bloomington, Ind.; and a sister, Genevieve Smith, Santee, Cal. One brother preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Church with Father Henry Mascotte officiating. Burial will be in Auburn's Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the Diabetes Foundation. A Rosary service will be held in the funeral home tonight at 7:30.

Dawn Wendling

LOS ANGELES — Dawn (Fox) Wendling, 83, formerly of Auburn, died Wednesday in her home in Los Angeles, Cal.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Marvel Guyer, Los Angeles; and one brother, Graydon Fox, Auburn. Mrs. Wendling's funeral was held today in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Los Angeles.

The Evening Star, February 7, 1981

Mabel David

Mabel David, 62, Butler, died Friday afternoon in the Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born Feb. 14, 1918 in Hamilton, and was married in Hamilton on Dec. 12, 1937 to Cecil David, who survives. She was employed at Universal Tool Company, Butler for 18 years, and was a member of the Butler Eagles and the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Surviving with the husband are a daughter, Mrs. Santana Salinas, Butler; a son, James David, Waterloo, and six grandchildren. Two brothers preceeded in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Calling will be after 2 p.m. Sunday with burial to follow in the Butler cemetery. The Butler Eagles Women will conduct a memorial service at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, February 9, 1981

Arthur Myers

Former Garrett resident Arthur G. Myers, 71, died Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at his home at 16911 Lutter Lane, Huntertown. He had been in failing health for eight years.

Mr. Myers retired in 1974 after working as a conductor for the B&O Railroad for 34 years. He had resided in Huntertown for 3½ years, moving there from Garrett.

He was born Nov. 24, 1909, in Seymour, Ind., the son of Grover and Lois (Shutts) Myers.

On Sept. 5, 1938, he married Joan L. Vance in Hamilton. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John (Lu Ann) Hutton, Garrett, and Mrs. Kim (Marianne) Robbins, San Diego, Cal.; two brothers, Bill Cox, Hamilton, and Raymond Cox, Bellville, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Gilbert (Betty) Wofford, St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Dennis (Mary Lou) Walters, Fountain Valley, Cal.; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, Rev. Ronald Bowman, pastor of the Garrett United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in the Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. tonight.

The Evening Star, February 10, 1981

Marie Madden

COLDWATER, Mich. — Marie L. Madden, 88, former area resident, died Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Carlin Park Nursing Home, Coldwater, Michigan, after a one year illness.

Mrs. Madden lived on Hyde Park Drive in Coldwater for the five years prior to her illness. Before then, she lived in Quincy, Mich. and Marion, Ind.

She was born Sept. 2, 1892 in Fort Wayne to the late Mr. and Mrs. Henry Figel. On Dec. 24, 1912 she married Frederick W. Madden in Foft Wayne. He preceded her in death on Feb. 26, 1980.

Surviving are one son, Melvin J. Madden, Los Osis, Cal.; one daughter, Mrs. Delores Rathert, Quincy, Mich.; six grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in the Putnam Funeral Home, Coldwater. Rev. John W. Anderson, pastor of Reformation Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will in Lakeview Cemetery, Quincy, Mich.

Friends may call tonight at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, February 11, 1981

Former Hoosier secretary of state dies

LOGANSPORT, Ind. (UPI) — Services will be Thursday for former Indiana Secretary of State Leland L. Smith, who died Tuesday in a nursing home. He was 72.

Smith served as secretary of state from 1950 to 1952 under Gov. Henry M. Schricker.

He served as Cass County Republican chairman for 30 years, from 1936 to 1966, and when he first became chairman he was the youngest in the state.

Smith was edged out for the 1952 Republican gubernatorial nomination by George Craig, who eventually won the election.

Smith served as mayor of Logansport in 1947, filling the unexpired term of Russell Leonard. He served as city attorney under four mayors, and was also Cass County attorney.

Smith had a law practice in Logansport with his son-in-law, current state treasurer Julian Ridlen.

He is survived by his wife, Wilma, his daughter, Mrs. Julian Ridlen, his son, Joseph Smith, and two grandchildren.

February 12, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, February 13, 1981

Margaret Pulver

BUTLER — Margaret J. Pulver, 48, died Thursday at the Butler Hotel Rest Home.

Born August 18, 1932, in Auburn, she was the daughter of Marion and Alice (Tustison) Peckhart.

Mrs. Pulver was an office worker, and had worked for General Electric in Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, and attended the Oberlin Conservatory.

Surviving is one daughter, Linda Pulver, Auburn, and two sisters, Cynthia A. McCrory, Leo; and Rose M. Ray, Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

Services will be held at the Auburn Presbyterian Church at 10 a.m. Monday, with Reverend Ronald Oglesbee officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Sunday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Cancer Society or the DeKalb Mental Health Association.

J. Frank Campbell

GARRETT — J. Frank Campbell, 88, a resident of Garrett until four years ago and a retired Baltimore & Ohio Railroad engineer, died Friday in St. Mary's Hospital, Rochester, Minn., after an illness of three years. He was a resident of the Samarian Bethany Nursing Home in Rochester before entering the hospital.

Mr. Campbell was born May 26, 1892, in Garrett and had 48 years service with the railroad before retiring Dec. 20, 1958.

He was married April 18, 1912, in Garrett to Emma Hess, who survives.

Surviving in addition to the wife are a daughter, Mrs. Ivan (Virginia) Currin, Eugene, Ore.; a son, George F. Campbell, Rochester, Minn.; and two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Schmidt and Mrs. Marie Buhholz, both of Seminole, Fla.

A daughter preceded Mr. Campbell in death.

Mr. Campbell was a 50-year member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge and a member of the Scottish Rite, Garrett United Methodist Church, Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers and Independent Order of Oddfellows.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, where services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday with Pastor Ronald Bowman of the United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

A Masonic service is scheduled for 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Preferred memorials may be made to the church.

Ralph Rickerd

BUTLER — Ralph W. Rickerd, 91, 402 W. Green St., Butler, a retired farmer and a lifelong resident of this area, died at 2 a.m. today in the Meadowhaven Nursing Home here.

He was born Dec. 19, 1889, in Troy Township, DeKalb County, a son of James and Catherine (Jennings) Rickerd, and and was married June 15, 1948, to Mildred Saunders, who died in 1969.

Only survivors are cousins.

The body is at the Johnson Funeral Home, where friends may call from 2-9 p.m. Sunday and after 10 a.m. Monday.

Services will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. Walter Whitmore, pastor of the Zion United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Harvey Carr

ST. JOE — Harvey A. Carr, 68, P.O. Box 175, St. Joe, died Friday at 12:01 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there for one day.

Mr. Carr retired from International Harvester in 1972 and was a resident of St. Joe for 38 years. He was a member of the St. Joe Church of Christ.

He was born March 19, 1912 in Paulding, Ohio to the late Harvey (Sr.) and Sylvia (Williamson) Carr.

He married Fern M. Bailey on June 4, 1938 in the Auburn Presbyterian Manse. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Andrea Barber, Eugene, Ore.; Melanie Gafkin, Bloomington, Ind.; one son, Nicholas Carr, Box 165, St. Joe; and one sister, Iona Woodcox, Antwerp, Ohio.

There will be no calling hours at the funeral home. Plans are for a cremation, with a memorial service at a later date. Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the heart fund.

The Evening Star, February 16, 1981

Jack Cobbs

WATERLOO — Jack W. Cobbs, 45, 555 Elm Street, Waterloo, died suddenly in his home Saturday.

Mr. Cobbs, who ran an auto brokerage firm from his home, was a member of Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren and Waterloo VFW. He served seven years in the U.S. Air Force and was a veteran of the Korean War.

He was born May 6, 1935 in rural Corunna to Harley and Emma (DeBruyn) Cobbs, both surviving. He married Mary Hernandez in San Antonio, Texas on May 6, 1958. She also survives.

Other survivors include four daughters, Kathy Grobes, Kingsman, Ariz.; Sharon, Debbie, and Dawn, at home; five brothers, Delbert, Harley and Carl, all of Corunna; Arthur, Auburn; and Cleo, Goshen; three sisters, Shirley Ely, Corunna; Elanore Fee, Waterloo; and Esther Andrus, St. George, Utah; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Robert Monroe, pastor of Corunna Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Baron baseball program.

Harvey Carr

ST. JOE — Several survivors of Harvey Carr were ommiteed from his death notice Saturday.

He is survived by a third daughter, Renee Collins, Ashley; and eight grandchildren. His other two daughters are Andrea Barber, Eugene, Ore.; and Melanie Gafken, Bloomington, Ind.

The Star regrets the error.

The Evening Star, February 17, 1981

Fred E. Watkins

FORT WAYNE — Fred E. Watkins, 80, 4940 Kyle Road, Fort Wayne, died Monday in Lawton Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where he lived for one week. He had been in ill health the past year.

His wife, Evelyn Rudolph, was a former Auburn resident. She preceded him in death on March 4, 1970.

Mr. Watkins worked on the Wabash Railroad 25 years before his retirement in 1956. He was born Dec. 26, 1900 in Martinsburg, Miss. to the late Joseph and Allie (West) Watkins.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Loretta Boswell and Mrs. Marjorie Foulks, both of Auburn; Rosalie Hall and Jo Ann Gorrell, both of Fort Wayne; two sons, Joseph, Fort Wayne; Stanley, New Haven; one step-son, Theron Dosch, Littleton, Col.; 21 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be 11 a.m. Thursday in Elzey-Dickey-Haggard Funeral Home in Waynedale. Rev. Lamar Imes, pastor of Waynedale United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Covington Memorial Gardens, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society and to the memorial fund of the Waynedale United Methodist Church, of which he was a member.

The Evening Star, February 18, 1981

Ethel Grogg Mathews

GOSHEN, Ind. — Ethel Grogg Mathews, 67, an Auburn native, died at 5:30 a.m. today in South Bend Memorial Hospital. She had been hospitalized one month after an extended illness.

Mrs. Mathews was a teacher at Goshen High School until her retirement in 1976. She headed the business department at Goshen for a number of years and also taught in the Indiana towns of Akron and Lawrenceburg.

She lived in Goshen since 1945, residing at 1325 E. Douglas Street. Mrs. Mathews was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Goshen.

She was a 1931 graduate of Auburn High School and earned a teaching degree from Ball State University in Muncie in 1936.

She was born Feb. 14, 1914 in Auburn to the late Elmer and Ida (Smith) Grogg. On June 12, 1971, she married Robert Mathews, who survives.

Also surviving are two step-daughters, Mrs. Ron (Diane) Sincroft, North Manchester, Ind.; and Miss Cheryl Mathews, Columbus, Ind.; one step-son, Dennis Mathews, Bloomington, Ind.; and two step-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Friday in Yoder-Culp Funeral Home, Goshen with Rev. Fuhrman P. Miller, First United Methodist Church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Preferred memorials are to the Elkhart County Cancer Society or her church.

The Evening Star, January 19, 1981

Ralph Keeler

ST. JOE — Ralph (Jiggs) Keeler, 66, Washington Street, St. Joe, died today at 4:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient three days. He was a life long resident of St. Joe.

Mr. Keeler owned and operated Jiggs Motor Service in St. Joe since 1945. He was a member of St. Joe Conservation Club, Lions Club, and the St. Joe Church of Christ.

He was born July 27, 1914 in St. Joe to the late William and Daisy (Meek) Keeler. He married Olevia Metzger in Auburn on Feb. 26, 1938. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Tony, St. Joe; and Lonny, Fort Wayne; one daughter, Randa Koch, Fort Wayne; one brother, Judson Keeler, Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Flossie Bassett, Auburn; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Saturday in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. A pastor for the service will be named later. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Intensive Care Unit.

Donald Raymond Long

Donald Raymond Long, 80, 104 N. Dewey St., Auburn, died today at 4:45 a.m. in his home after an extended illness. He was a resident on Dewey Street the past 47 years.

Before his illness, Mr. Long managed the Auburn Hotel for 20 years. Prior to that, he was employed by DeKalb Distributing, the Gladiator Company, and Stoh Construction Company. He was a candidate for DeKalb County Auditor in 1946.

He was a 1920 graduate of Auburn High School and a 1924 graduate of the International Business College in Fort Wayne. He was a member of the Forensic C&C.

He was born Feb. 16, 1901 to the late Jackson and Lillian (Grosh) Long. He married Tillie Viola Temple in New Salisbury, Ind. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Donald (Jeanette) Inlow, and Mrs. James (Judith) Knupp, both of rural Auburn; one sister, Mrs. Leal (Nellie) Woolever, Auburn; and five grandchildren. Three sisters preceded him in death.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Saturday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with a pastor for the service to be named later. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

February 20, 21, 1981 No obituaries

Lena M. Sweet

WOLCOTTVILLE — Lena M. Sweet, 75, of Wolcottville, died at 2:15 a.m. Sunday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born Nov. 12, 1905, in LaGrange County, the daughter of Elmer and Wilma (Boyd) Domer. On June 27, 1923, in LaGrange, she married Ronald F. Sweet, who survives.

Mrs. Sweet was a member of Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church and its Ladies Aid.

Surviving with her husband are five daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Rachel) Cutler of Garrett, Mrs. Ralph (Wilma) Chiddister of Paw Paw, Mich., Mrs. Ray (Donna) McKee of Forsythe, Mo., Mrs. Leonard (Dorothy) Walter of Rome City, and Mrs. Edward (Darlene) McKowen of Adams Lake, Wolcottville; a son, Larry Sweet of Sturgis, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Kenneth (Lucille) King of Cassopolis, Mich.; and Mrs. Anita Balyet of Kalkaska, Mich.; a brother, Lawrence Domer of Howe; 22 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

A son preceded her in death.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday in the Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church, with Rev. Russell Stevens officiating.

Burial will be in Woodruff Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Hutchins-Williams Funeral Home in Wolcottville from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and from 11 a.m. until service time at the church on Wednesday.

Memorials may be directed to the Woodruff Grove United Methodist Church Organ Fund.

Mary Grogg

ROCHESTER, Ind. — Mary Elizabeth Grogg, 67, formerly of Butler, died Saturday at 9:47 p.m. in Woodlawn Hospital at Rochester.

She had been a resident at Route 7, Rochester, since leaving Butler 21 years ago.

Mrs. Grogg, a homemaker and mother, was born March 6, 1913 to the late Joe and Elizabeth (Rechtine) Kessler. She married Albert Grogg on Feb. 14, 1935 in Auburn and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Gene R. and Dan Grogg, both of Rochester; one daughter, Mrs. Clayton (Shirley Ann) Stice, Denver, Col.; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Three brothers and one sister preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Foster & Good Funeral Home, Rochester. Father Richard Puetz, pastor of St. Joseph Catholic Church, where she was a member, will officiate. Burial will be in IOOF Cemetery, Rochester.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 3-9 tonight and from 9-11 a.m. Tuesday. A Rosary service will be held for Mrs. Grogg in the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. tonight.

Preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund.

Claude Ladd

Claude C. Ladd, 74, Route 1, Ashley, died at 12:15 a.m. Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a patient there for one day.

Mr. Ladd was a lifelong resident of Ashley, but was born in Putnam County, Ohio on July 29, 1906. He was retired from the Phelps Dodge & Wire Co., Fort Wayne.

He was the son of the late John and Julie (Medley) Ladd. He married Georgia Graff, who survives, in October 1928 at Pleasant Lake.

Survivors include four brothers, Elias, Florida; Worthy, Butler; Olen, Springfield, Mo.; Johnny, Angola, and two who predeceased him; two sisters, Amy Wright, Angola; Artie Scott, Fort Wayne; and three who preceded him in death; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Friends may call from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

The Evening Star, February 23, 1981

Floyd Gorrell

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Floyd B. Gorrell, 55, a prominent Hicksville business and civic leader, died suddenly Saturday, stricken as he chaired a joint meeting of the local Masonic Lodge and Knights of Columbus.

He was rushed to Hicksville Community Hospital, but died at 8:35 p.m.

Mr. Gorrell was a realtor and auctioneer in the Ohio and Indiana area. A 33rd Degree Mason, he was to have been installed as Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of F.&A.M. next October.

He was a member of Hicksville F.&A.M.; Order of Eastern Star; the DeMolay Legion of Honor; and the Grace United Methodist Church.

He was born July 6, 1925 in Paulding County, Ohio to Don and Mary (Barnes) Gorrell. His mother survives. He married Evelyn Smith in Hicksville in 1949, and she also survives.

Other survivors include three brothers, Russell, Clifford and Thomas, all of Hicksville; five sisters, Miss Donna Belle Gorrell, Ann Arbor, Mich; Mrs. Joe (Sally) Starka, Mrs. Paul (Carolyn) Workman, and Mrs. Thomas (Mary Ellen) Clark, all of Paulding, Ohio; and Mrs. Don (Naomi) Link, Ayresville, Ohio.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Grace United Methodist Church with Rev. George Vance officiating. Burial will be in Farmer Cemetery, Farmer, Ohio.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville after 2 p.m. tonight and all day Tuesday.

A memorial service for Mr. Gorrell will be held by the Masonic Lodge in the funeral home at 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, February 24, 1981

Son left out

Ernest Ladd, Ashley, was omitted as a surviving son in Monday's death notice of his father, Claude C. Ladd, also of Ashley. The Evening Star regrets the omission.

The Evening Star, February 25, 1981

Willis Taylor

HAMILTON — Willis H. Taylor, 69, a lifetime resident of Hamilton, died at St. Joseph Hospital in Fort Wayne Monday afternoon.

He was born on Feb. 12, 1912, in Hamilton, the son of John L. and Blanche (Jacobs) Taylor. On Sept. 5, 1935, he married Doris Huss in Fremont. She survives.

Mr. Taylor had been self-employed but was retired.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Terry (Marilyn) Grotz of Fort Wayne; a son, John Taylor of Northport, Ala.; a brother, Oscar Taylor of Sebring, Fla.; four grandchildren and two nephews.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Ray Squibb officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Merrill Whittig

Merrill Whittig, 62, 1101 Gregg St., Auburn, died early Tuesday morning in the Heines Veterans Hospital, Chicago.

Funeral arrangements for Mr. Whittig, who had been in failing health since 1976, are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Ryan Dukes

Ryan Derek Dukes, 4, son of Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Dukes, Route 1, Corunna, died at 7:09 p.m. Tuesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

He was born in Auburn on Dec. 10, 1976, the son of Dennis and Sally (Herr) Dukes. His parents survive.

He attended Faith United Methodist Church, Kendallville, where his parents were members.

Surviving with the parents are a sister, Jennifer Dukes, at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Dukes, Kissimmee, Fla.; and maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Emmert Herr of Kendallville.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. William Kaiser officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Memorials may be made to the DeKalb County Pre-School for the Handicapped, Auburn.

Joyce Weiss

MONGO — Joyce Weiss, 92, of Mongo, died at 6:20 p.m. Wednesday in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange.

Mrs. Weiss was born Oct. 12, 1888, in Springfield Township, LaGrange County. On June 12, 1909, in Mongo, she married Samuel Weiss, who survives.

Besides her husband, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Arno (Sylvia) Rose of Mongo, Mrs. Irma Gifford of Coldwater, Mich., and Mrs. David (Arlene) Webb of Sturgis, Mich.; two sons, Samuel Weiss Jr. of Mikana, Wis., and Maynard Weiss of Three Rivers, Mich.; 10 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange, with Rev. Carldean Merrifield of Mongo United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in English Prairie Cemetery, north of Mongo.

Visitation will be after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Merrill Whittig

Merrill Whittig, 62, 1101 Gregg St., Auburn, died early Tuesday in Heines Veterans Hospital, Chicago. He had been in ill health since 1976.

Mr. Whittig lived in Auburn since his return from World War II, where he served in the Army. He was a patrolman for the Auburn Police Department until his retirement in 1960.

He was born May 21, 1918 in Elkhart, Ind. to the late Arthur and Florence (Holland) Whittig. He married Gladys Berrow in Angola on Aug. 31, 1956. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Steven Whittig, Houston, Texas; one step-son, Jerry Healy, Fort Wayne; one step-daughter, Carolyn Stayer, Waterloo; one sister Irene Crooks, Fort Wayne; and five step-grandchildren.

His funeral will be 1 p.m. Saturday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn with graveside services by the Auburn American Legion.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 6-9 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund.

Carrie Jordan

Carrie B. Jordan, 85, Route 4, Auburn, died Wednesday at 6:40 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. A lifelong DeKalb County resident, Mrs. Jordan formerly lived at Route 2, Avilla.

She was a homemaker and a member of Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren in rural Auburn. She was born May 23, 1895 to the late Edward and Lydia (Lehner) Haynes.

She married Elza Jordan in Garrett on July 4, 1915 and he survives.

Also surviving are six sons, Robert, Don, Franklin, and Dallas Jordan, all of Auburn; Loyal, Garrett; and Elza Jr., Avilla; one daughter, Mrs. Merle (Helen) Workman, Angola; one brother, Loyd Haynes, Angola; one sister, Sadie Tuttle, Garrett; 31 grandchildren and 42 great-grandchildren.

One brother, Heber Haynes, and two sisters, Maude Stabe and Inez Kerns, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Monday at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren with the church's pastor, Rev. Lee Kinsey, officiating. He will be assisted in the service by Rev. Arthur Morris. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett after 2 p.m. Sunday.

The Evening Star, February 26, 1981

George Winkler

BUTLER — George Winkler, 88, Route 1, Butler, died Wednesday at 7:20 a.m. in the Veterans Administration Medical Center, Marion, where he had been a patient one year.

Mr. Winkler was a retired farmer who was a U.S. Army veteran of World War I. He was also a retired employee of the Farnsworth Company in Fort Wayne.

He was born Nov. 11, 1892 in Minot, North Dakota to the late Joseph and Betty Winkler. He married Helen M. Bryant in Sherwood, Ohio on Dec. 27, 1927. She preceded him in death on June 22, 1970.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Barbara Whitman, Butler; and one sister, Mrs. Alma Barker, Minot, N.D.

Her funeral will be 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, with Rev. Leslie Strong, pastor of Stroh Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. A graveside military service will be held for Mr. Winkler.

Marion Moore

BUTLER — Marion (Pete) Moore, 65, Route 2, Butler, died Thursday at 7:10 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there for two days.

He was a resident of rural Butler for 43 years, living in the Moore community. He was retired from Dana Corporation in Auburn.

He was born Jan. 12, 1916 to A.J. Moore and Catherine (Durst). He mother survives in Auburn.

He was married Aug. 21, 1938 in his home to Ercel Tyson. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Freida Blair, Hagerstown, Ind.; and Mrs. Kay Schiffli, Route 2, Butler; three sons, Jay, Walter and Wilbur, all of Butler; one sister Mable Ketel, Waterloo; two half-sisters, Mrs. Phyllis Walker, Arcola, Ind.; and Mrs. Aileen Schrauben, Cape Canaveral, Fla.; 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One brother preceded him in death.

He was a member of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church and Butler Eagles.

His funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

Audrey Everetts

HAMILTON — Audrey D. Everetts, 76, of Butler and formerly of Hamilton, died Wednesday morning in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born on Oct. 14, 1904, in Edgerton, Ohio, she was the daughter of Elmer and Mary (Reas) Bowman. She married Flavie Joe Everetts on Dec. 25, 1923, in Coldwater, Mich. He preceded her in death in September 1975.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Hamel of Statesville, N.C., and Mrs. Clyde (Esther) Mulnix of Jackson, Mich.; and two brothers, Joseph Bowman of Butler and Andrew Everetts of Statesville.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Zion United Methodist Church, rural Hamilton, with Rev. Walter Whitmore officiating.

Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Memorials may be directed to Zion United Methodist Church or the Heart Fund.

Clayton Baker

ST. JOE — Clayton E. Baker, 66, a lifelong St. Joe resident, died today at 6:15 a.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient eight days.

Mr. Baker had been retired the past seven years from International Harvester in Fort Wayne. He was a member of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe and the Auburn Moose Lodge.

He was born Dec. 2, 1914 near St. Joe to the late Frank and Mary (Dilley) Baker. He married June Ridgway in Spencerville on Nov. 18, 1932. She survives.

Also surviving are five sons, Jerry Baker, St. Joe; Robert, Bruce, and John Baker, all of Fort Wayne; and Donald Baker, Bremerton, Ohio; one daughter, Suzanne Parrish, Butler; two brothers, Harold, Auburn; and Eugene, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. Naomi Dragoo, Osser, Mich; 20 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Sunday in St. Mark's Lutheran Church with Rev. George Wirsing officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the Baidinger-Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville after 2 p.m. Saturday and after 12 noon Sunday at the church.

The Evening Star, February 28, 1981

Correction

The two sisters of Marion Moore, whose death notice appeared in Friday's Evening Star, were incorrectly named as half-sisters.

Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, said Mrs. Phyllis Walker, Arcola, Ind. and Aileen Schrauben, Cape Canaveral, Fla. were sisters of the deceased.

Agnes Swary

NEW HAVEN — Agnes E. Swary, 83, 30 East Trailer Court, New Haven, died Sunday at 4:45 a.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital, where she had been a patient two days.

A member of the Spencerville United Methodist Church, Mrs. Swary was born in Paulding County, Ohio, to the late Herman and Rasthea (Green) Lee. Her husband, Fred Swary, preceded her in death.

Surviving are two sons, Leo Swary, St. Joe, and Gerald Swary, Payne, Ohio; two daughters, Helen Reinhart, Hamilton; and Geraldine Filley, Parish, Fla.; three brothers, Russell Lee, Butler; Ervin Lee, Spencerville; and Levi Lee, Rockford, Ohio.

Also surviving are three sisters, Alva Williams and Genevea Wilder, both of Fort Wayne; Goldie Roesner, Toledo, Ohio; and 20 grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville with Rev. James Price officiating. Burial will be in Live Oak Cemetery, Paulding, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to the Heart Fund.

Harold Wilmot

Harold D. Wilmot, 55, 1902 S. Wayne St., Auburn, died in his home at 7 p.m. Saturday. He lived on South Wayne Street the past 4½ years.

Mr. Wilmot was an Army veteran of World War II and was employed as a machinist at Warner Gear, Auburn, prior to his death.

He was born Aug. 26, 1925 in St. Joe to George and Opeal (Poper) Wilmot. Mrs. Wilmot survives in Erwin, Tenn. Also surviving is his wife, Alice (Thomas) Wilmot, whom he married June 4, 1950 in Kendallville.

Other survivors include two sons, Jon, Garrett; and Michael, Indianpolis; one daughter, Mrs. James (Sandra) Wise, Mentone, Ind.; two brothers, Keith, Auburn; and Carleton, Grabill; two sisters, Mrs. George (Iris) Bruggencate, Angola; Mrs. Leora Light, Erwin, Tenn.; and six grandchildren.

His funeral will be 10 a.m. Wednesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home with Charles Barrington of the South Bend Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in the Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Arminnie Krider

GARRETT — Arminnie Krider, 70, North Randolph Street extended, Garrett, died Saturday at 12:05 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been in ill health the past four weeks.

Mrs. Krider was a former employee of Fort Wayne Tailoring, retiring in 1975. Prior to that, she was employed by Bennett's Clothing Co., also in Fort Wayne. She was a member of the Amalgamated Machinist's Union and the Garrett United Methodist Church and choir.

She was born Aug. 3, 1910 in Roanoke, Ind. to the late Rev. Frank and Florence (Tibbals) Young. She married J. Kenneth Krider in Cassopolis, Mich. on Feb. 12, 1928. He preceded her in death in June 1979.

Surviving are one son, Kenneth Joseph Krider, Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Raymond (Barbara) Haynes, Garrett; and Mrs. Richard (Patricia) Lublow, Constantine, Mich..

Also surviving are five Young brothers, Merlin, Angola; Lewis and Shirley, both of Kokomo; Ronald, Plymouth; and Leonard, Whiting; three sisters, Mrs. Everett (Fern Mae) Jellison, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Ruth Smith, Kokomo; and Mrs. Arlis McKeown, Crawfordsville; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett with Pastor Ronald Bowman officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the choir of Garrett United Methodist Chruch.

Dan Maxwell

GARRETT — Dan G. Maxwell, 32, 503 E. King St., Garrett, died at 4:15 a.m. today in his home. A lifelong Garrett resident, Mr. Maxwell was an Army veteran of the Vietnam War and was employed by International Harvester, Fort Wayne.

He was born July 13, 1948 in Garrett to Ellis and Mary (Hathaway) Maxwell, who both survive. He married Chog Hui Le in Korea on July 16, 1970. She also survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Tonya, at home.

His funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Pastor Ronald Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett, with graveside military services.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

Fred Swoverland

GARRETT — Fred H. Swoverland, 80, Route 1, Garrett, died Saturday at 5:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient nearly two weeks.

Mr. Swoverland was a farmer and a self-employed welder and repair man, retiring in 1969. He belonged to the Brimfield United Methodist Church.

He was born Aug. 21, 1900 in Bourbon, Ind. to the late Meredith and Dora (Monesmith) Swoverland. On May 29, 1926, he married Esther Rice in Auburn. She survives.

Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Glee Houser, Auburn.

His funeral will be 10 a.m. Tuesday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home with Pastor Ronald Bowman of Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Harold Powell

Harold L. Powell, 72, 918 E. Fifth St., Auburn, died today at 6:10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient the past five weeks.

Mr. Powell was a retired molder for Ball Brass & Aluminum, Auburn. A native of Butler, he was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn.

He was born May 2, 1908 to the late William and Della (Frick) Powell, and married Iris Dove in Butler on May 1, 1937. His wife survives.

Also surviving is a sister, Mrs. Ethel Kreager, Butler.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Friday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Lloyd A. Bickel, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Alta Linton

Alta A. Linton, 77, Route 2, Auburn, died Monday at 10:15 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where she had lived the past two months.

A retired homemaker, Mrs. Linton was born April 2, 1903 in Jackson Township to the late Lemuel and Lucy (Bailey) Farver. Her husband, John R. Linton, survives at Route 2, Auburn.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Cleota Gramling, Angola; and Mrs. Lucy Stockham, Logan, Ohio; two brothers, Roy Farber, Angola; and Harold Farber, Niles, Mich.; 19 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Trinity Lutheran Church, where she was a member. Rev. Lloyd Bickel, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund and Trinity Lutheran Church.

Correction

Dan G. Maxwell, 32, who died early Monday morning, was the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Hathaway, Garrett, not their natural son as reported in Monday's Evening Star. The Star regrets the error.

The Evening Star, March 4, 1981

Esther Danner

ANGOLA — Esther Danner, 92, died Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola, where she had lived since 1976.

Mrs. Danner was a native of DeKalb County and had relatives in Auburn and Waterloo.

Before her retirement, she managed an apartment building in Arcadia, Cal.

She was born Feb. 23, 1889 in Noble County to the late Robert Frank and Anna Mary (Schrader) Green. Her husband, Anthony Danner, preceded her in death on April 7, 1973.

Surviving are two nieces, Mrs. Eva Holmes, Auburn; and Mrs. Mary Romano, Fort Wayne. Also surviving are two grandnieces, Hazel Kimmel, Auburn; and Esther Keefer, Waterloo.

Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, is in charge of local arrangements. Burial will be in Live Oak Memorial Park, Monroyia, Cal.

Correction

Dan G Maxwell, 32, who died Monday, was the adopted son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Maxwell. Tuesday's Star incorrectly reported the last name as Hathaway, Mrs. Maxwell's maiden name.

Also in Tuesday's Star, the last name of Mrs. Ethel Creager, Butler, was misspelled. She is a surviving sister of the late Harold Powell. The family requests memorials to Mr. Powell be to the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, March 5, 1981

Douglas Bailey

Douglas D. Bailey, 29, Auburn Mobile Home Court, died at 12:35 a.m. Wednesday in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. Death was due to injuries from a Tuesday night auto accident on Ind. 101 in Allen County.

Mr. Bailey was employed as a truck driver. He was born in Ligonier, Ind. on Feb. 26, 1952.

He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bailey, Auburn; two daughters, Jodi and Rachel, both of Auburn; two brothers, Michael, Butler; and Norman, New Carlisle, Ohio; three sisters, Sharon Lapel, Amarillo, Texas; Norma Piggott, Ligonier; and Beth Taylor, Mallie, Ky.; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Bailey, Waterloo; and a maternal grandmother, Mrs. David C. Miller, Ligonier.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Auburn Presbyterian Church, where he was a member. Rev. Ron Oglesbee will officiate.

Friends may call from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday at D.O. McComb & Sons, Auburn Chapel (formerly Bale Funeral Home). The body will lie in state at the church from 1 p.m. Friday until the service.

Nikki Ashcraft

FORT WAYNE — Nikki D. Ashcraft, 4 month old daughter of Hubert and Rebecca (Bloom), Ashcraft, 9207 Dawnsford Drive, died at 7:42 a.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph's Hospital.

She was born Oct. 16, 1980 in Fort Wayne.

She is survived by her parents, and by maternal grandparents, Robert L. Bloom and Deloris May, both of Garrett; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ashcraft, Seymour; and a great-grandmother, Lavern Hippenhammer, Huntertown.

Friends may call from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday at D.O. McComb & Sons, Lakeside Park Funeral Home in Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Friday at the St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Arcola.

March 6, 1981 No obituaries

Alden McClure

CHURUBUSCO — Alden Ray McClure, 56, died Friday morning at his home in Churubusco after an illness of seven months.

Surviving are his wife, Betty; his mother, Mrs. Delores McClure, Fort Wayne; six daughters, Mrs. Al (June) Gilbert of Auburn, Mrs. Carol Wyman of Harlan, Gloria Hughett and Mrs. Duane (Linda) Barth of Fort Wayne, Mrs. Joseph (Beverley) Gray, Churubusco, and Wanda McClure, at home; three sons, Alden Ray Jr., at home; David, in the Navy, and Aaron, Churubusco; three brothers, Harold, Churubusco, and Donald and Eddie, Fort Wayne; four sisters, Mrs. Vada Rice and Mrs. Danny (Roxann) Brock of Fort Wayne, Mrs. James (Norma) Landis, Route 7, Columbia City, and Mrs. Roberta Galland, in Florida, and nine grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel in Churubusco after 7 p.m. today.

Services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, with burial in Highland Park cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Benson Wickerham

HUDSON — Benson L. Wickerham, 64, of Route 2, Hudson, a retired employee of Stanadyne, Garrett, died at 4 a.m. today in Cameron Hospital, Angola, where he had been a patient since Feb. 26.

He was born Aug. 2, 1916, a son of William and Golda (VanHorn) Wickerham, and was married Aug. 23, 1935, in Auburn to Mildred Kester, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Michael (Nancy) Lesiak, Angola; a son, William L. Wickerham, Fort Wayne, and four grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, after 2 p.m. Monday.

Services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, Pastor Robert Troy officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Aubuen.

March 9,1981 No obituaries

Scott D. Miller

ANGOLA — Scott D. Miller, 23, Crooked Lake, an employee of Mid-City Typewriter in Auburn, died Sunday at 9:46 p.m. in Memorial Hospital, Battle Creek, Mich.

Mr. Miller died as a result of injuries sustained after a tree fell on him near Lake Lavine, Mich. Sunday afternoon.

Miller, also employed by Data Engineering Equipment, Co., Fort Wayne, was a member of Lake George Lutheran Church, Fremont.

He was born Aug. 28, 1957 in Fort Wayne to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Miller, Jr., Crooked Lake, who both survive.

Also surviving are one sister, Kathleen Bowers, Auburn; and two brothers, Mark, Fort Wayne; and Michael, Buena Vista, Col.

His funeral will be 1 p.m. Wednesday in C.M. Sloan & Sons Funeral Home, Fort Wayne with Rev. William J. Hoerger and Rev. William Allen officiating. Burial will be in the IOOF Cemetery, Convoy, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home between 2-9 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to Lake George Lutheran Church or the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne.

Lena Zimmerman

SPENCERVILLE — Lena K. Zimmerman, 82, died Sunday evening at Meadow Haven Nursing Home in Butler. She had been a resident at the home for eight years.

Mrs. Zimmerman was a retired telephone operator who worked at the Spencerville phone exchange. She was born Nov. 1, 1898 in DeKalb County to Dallas and Ida (Shutt) Kelly, and was a lifelong resident.

She was the wife of the late Ray Zimmerman, who preceded her in death.

Surviving are one son, Dallas, of Fort Wayne; one grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. James Price, pastor of Spencerville United Methodist Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in White City cemetery, south of Spencerville.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 tonight.

The Evening Star, March 10, 1981

Rev. Paul Keck

NEW HAVEN — Rev. Paul E. Keck, 59, of New Haven and pastor of the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, LaOtto, died at 3 a.m. Sunday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient one week.

He was born March 14, 1921, in South Bend, the son of Rev. Albert and Charlotte (Zimmerman) Keck Sr. He married Katherine "Betty" Gehr, who survives.

Rev. Keck served what is now called Lutheran Church in America, Evansville, before moving to New Haven in 1955 as pastor of the St. James Lutheran Church. He was a graduate of Wittenberg University and Hamma Divinity School, both in Springfield, Ohio.

Surviving with his wife, who is a teacher at New Haven Elementary School, are a son, John Keck of Louisville, Ky.; two daughters, Kathy Greene of Bluffton and Anne Keck, at home; two brothers, Albert Keck Jr. of Hickory, N.C., and Robert Keck of Springfield, Ohio; two sisters, Dorothy Roden of Mishawaka and Betty Siewert of Cullowhee, N.C.; and three grandchildren.

Graveside services were at 10 a.m. today in the IOOF Cemetery, New Haven with a memorial service at 7:30 p.m. today at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, LaOtto with Rev. Carl Satre and Rev. William Pifer officiating.

Memorials may be directed to the organ fund of the Emmanuel Church, LaOtto.

Harper & Son Funeral Home, New Haven, is in charge of arrangements.

Paul Strong

BUTLER — Paul A. Strong, 37, who was born in Wilmington Township near Butler, died in Tampa (Fla.) General Hospital on Saturday, March 8. He had been a patient at the hospital one week.

Mr. Strong worked as a heavy machine operator in the Plant City, Fla. area prior to his death.

He was born Oct. 20, 1943 in Wilmington Township to Lloyd Strong, Fremont, and Kathyrn Strong, Florida, both of whom survive.

His is also survived by his wife, Carol Hartman Strong, Plant City, Fla.; two sons, Timmy and Steven Hartman, both at home; two daughters, Tina Hartman and Shelby Strong; two brothers, Gary and Frank Strong, Fremont; one sister, Mrs. Sharon Coburn, Plant City, Fla; and his paternal grandmother, Mrs. LuReign Strong, St. Joe.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Leslie Strong of Stroh Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 10 a.m. Thursday.

Alger Miller

BUTLER.— Alger E. Miller, 82, 346 W. Oak St., Butler, died Tuesday at 10:20 p.m. in Hicksville Community Hospital, where he had been a patient since last Feb. 7.

Mr. Miller, a retired house painter, had lived on Oak Street since 1972 and spent most of his life in the Butler and Hamilton area.

He was a veteran of World War I; a member of Hamilton Church of Christ; and a 50-year member of Otsego Lodge 701 F&AM, Hamilton.

He was born Nov. 24, 1898 in Montpelier, Ohio to the late John and Harriet (Wilson) Miller. He married May Hurraw in Angola on Feb. 2, 1933. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Eston Miller, Riverside, Calif.; one brother, Owen, Stryker, Ohio; three sisters, Mrs. Helen Cook, Hillsdale, Mich.; Mrs. Gladys DeGroff, Los Angeles, Cal.; and Mrs. Edna Stoy, suburban Los Angeles. One brother and one sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be 1 p.m Saturday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. Thursday.

Arrangements for a minister and a Masonic memorial service are incomplete.

Orval Coney

Orval H. Coney, 63, of Route 1, Wolcottville, died at 4:28 a.m. today in Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, where he had undergone coronary bypass surgery March 3.

Born in LaGrange County Feb. 10, 1918, he was the son of William and Sovilla (Kunce) Coney. On Nov. 23, 1940, in Mancelona, Mich., he married Loretta M. Rumsey. She survives.

Mr. Coney was a lifetime resident of LaGrange County and was retired from Quist Motors (formerly O.E. Coney Pontiac), where he had been employed 31 years. He was a member of St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Route 1, Hudson.

Surviving besides his wife are four daughters, Mrs. Don (Joyce) Curtis and Mrs. Ronnie (Connie) Burtch, both of Route 1, Wolcottville, Mrs. Paul (Brenda) Trowbridge, Westchester, Ohio, and Mrs. Jerry (Marsha) Smart of Route 5, LaGrange; two sons, Larry Coney of Route 1, Wolcottville, and Bruce Coney of 449 Garden St., Kendallville; two sisters, Mrs. Lennis (Ida) Wells of Garrett and Mrs. Buelah Pant of Route 1, LaGrange; a brother, Otho Coney of Route 1, LaGrange; and 15 grandchildren.

Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. Friday in St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church.

Burial will be in Brushy Chapel Cemetery north of South Milford.

Friends may call at the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, March 11, 1981

Kenneth Cramer

Kenneth P. Cramer, 80, 201 N. Van Buren St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 5:30 a.m. in his home after a three-year illness.

Mr. Cramer, an Auburn resident the past 33 years, was a retired pattern maker for Foley Pattern Co., Auburn. He was a member of the Toledo, Ohio Masonic Lodge.

He was born in Elkhart, Ind. on May 3, 1900 to the late Clarence and Heneretta Cramer. On Aug. 25, 1945 he married Jeanette Reynolds in Coldwater, Mich. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Christine Humphrey, Auburn; two sons, Steven, Fort Wayne; and David, Peoria, Ill.; and five grandchildren. A brother, Harold, preceded him in death.

His funeral will be 11 a.m. Thursday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Carl Greek, Pastor of Auburn's Nazarene Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

There will be no calling at the funeral home.

The Evening Star, March 12, 1981

Vida Moughler

GARRETT — Vida V. Moughler, 87, 514 S. Harrison St., Garrett, died Wednesday in her home. She had been in ill health the past four months.

A lifelong Garrett resident, Mrs. Moughler was a homemaker. She was born in DeKalb County Dec. 20, 1893 to the late Alexander and Martha Forsythe. On Aug. 24, 1912 she married Karl Moughler, who preceded her in death on Oct. 20, 1961.

Surviving are one grandchild, Mrs. Sonia Lyon, Route 3, Auburn; and two great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. James Platner of First Church of Christ, Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Roy Bumgerdner

BUTLER — Roy E. Bumgerdner, 72, 301 E. Green St., Butler, died Wednesday at 6:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for one year.

Mr. Bumgerdner was a resident of Butler for 50 years. He was an offset cameraman and a projectionist at the old Butler Theatre.

He was born on Nov. 3, 1908 in Columbia City to Harley and Leona (Butler) Bumgerdner. He was married Sept. 22, 1951 to Christina Nelson in Bronson, Mich. She survives. Also surviving is one sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Bryant, of Butler.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Butler.

His funeral will be Saturday at 3 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. John Wortinger, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home on Friday after 2 p.m.

March 13,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, March 14, 1981

John D. Fee

HAMILTON — John D. Fee, 17, Route 1, Hamilton, died at 2 p.m Friday in Huntington Memorial Hospital. He had been hospitalized since Oct. 1980.

Born Sept. 6, 1963, in Auburn, he was the son of Dennis and Kay (Everetts) Fee. Both survive.

He was a senior at Hamilton High School and a lifetime resident of the Hamilton and Angola area.

Other survivors include one sister, Cindy Lou, at home; a paternal grandmother, Zeda Fee, Angola; and maternal grandparents, Theodore and Vera Everetts, Hamilton.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

Howard Hill

DEFIANCE, Ohio — Howard Hill, 82, Route 6, Defiance, Ohio, died today at 1:05 a.m. in Defiance Hospital emergency room.

Mr. Hill was a retired farmer who moved to Defiance in 1965 after having farmed most of his life in LaGrange and DeKalb counties.

He was a member of Ayresville United Methodist Church, Ayresville, Ohio.

He was born April 26, 1898 in Defiance County to the late Frederick and Katheryn (Grogg) Hill. He was married to Cora Albright in 1927 and she preceded him in death in 1953. In 1955, he married Mrs. Pearl (Hill) Barringer, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Wayne H. Hill, Waterloo; one step-son, Orvil "Bill" Barringer, Defiance; one step-daughter, Mrs. Lynn (Peggy) Johns, Defiance; two half-sisters, Mrs. Bernard (Gladys) Brown, Defiance; and Mrs. Ralph (Elsie) Fields, Hebron, Ohio; one step-brother, John McQueary, Columbus, Ohio; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Mast and Mock Funeral Home, Defiance. Dr. William F. Hill, and Rev. Kenneth S. Whetzel will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, DeKalb County.

Friends may call after 7 tonight at the funeral home.

Grace Likens

Grace M. Likens, 76, died Sunday at 12:30 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She was a retired employee of Rieke Corporation.

Mrs. Likens was born in western Michigan on Sept. 2, 1904 to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hilderbrand.

She married Russell Likens in Auburn on June 30, 1951. He survives at the couple's home on North Indiana Avenue extended, Auburn.

Also surviving are a stepson, Amos Reinhoel, Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Vea Reinhoff; and three grandchildren.

She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday.

Todd Ray Grogg

BUTLER — Todd Ray Grogg, 8, died today at 1 a.m. in his home at Route 1, Butler. He was a third grade student at Butler Elementary School and a member of Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church.

He was born April 10, 1972 in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, to Walter and Carol (Place) Grogg, who survive.

Also surviving are one brother, Vince, and one sister, Kelly, both at home; his paternal grandparents, Russell and Helen Grogg, Butler; and maternal grandparents, Everett and Esther Place, Buckingham, Mich.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Wednesday in Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church. Rev. Philip Lutz, pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to Riley Cancer Research Center, Indianapolis; DeKalb Memorial Hospital, or DeKalb County Crippled Children's Association.

The Evening Star, March 16, 1981

Isa Provines

Isa B. Provines, 94, 201 N. Indiana Ave., Auburn, died Sunday at 5:30 a.m. in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

Miss Provines, a lifetime area resident, was an Indiana Bell Telephone employee and a member of First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

She was born Jan. 11, 1887 in Jackson Township to the late Lucine and Sarah Ann (Moore) Provines.

She is survived by two sisters, Rachel Harding, Auburn; and Edith Hyndman, Bloomington, Ind.; and several nieces and nephews. One brother, Kent Provines, and two sisters, Kathyrn and Jesse Provines, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn Chapel (formerly Bale Funeral Home). Rev. John Dicken will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the church.

The Evening Star, March 18, 1981

Thelma Keener

BUTLER — Thelma Keener, 78, Route 1, Butler, died Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She had been ill for several years.

Mrs. Keener had worked at Marshall Clothing Store in Butler, and was a homemaker. She was a lifelong area resident, and a member of the Church of Christ in Newville.

She was born Feb. 17, 1903 in DeKalb County to the late William and Sarah Elizabeth (Lyon) Benninghoff. She married Lloyd Keener on Jan. 15, 1921 in Hillsdale, Mich. He survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. James (Gladys) Hart, St. Joe; Mrs. A.D. (Delores) Inlow, St. Joe; and Mrs. Duane (Shirley) Fritz, Hicksville; one son, Jerry Keener, Butler; one aunt, Mildred Enzor; 14 grand- children and 10 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral was to be at 1 p.m. today in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, Ohio. Rev. Philip Lutz, pastor of Newville United Methodist Church, officiated. Burial was in Newville Cemetery.

Gerald L. Blaine

Gerald L. "Pete" Blaine, 62, a lifelong resident of Butler, died Wednesday at 6:10 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born Nov. 1, 1918, in Butler, the son of Hoyt and Ollie (Miser) Blaine. His late home was at Route 1, Butler.

Mr. Blaine was a supervisor for the Magnavox Corporation in Fort Wayne.

On Aug. 16, 1956, he married Carrol Rine in Pleasant Lake. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Ms. Diane Blaine, at home; two brothers, Howard, Butler, and Jack, Hillsdale, Mich.; and one sister, Mrs. Janet Frakes, Butler.

Mr. Blaine was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church and the Butler Eagles.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler, the Rev. John Wortinger officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today from 2-9 p.m. and Friday after 10 a.m.

Correction

Wayne Benninghoff, Route 1, Butler, was omitted as a surviving brother in the death notice of Thelma Keener, who died Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

George Doll

George R. Doll, 79, formerly of Spencerville, died Wednesday at 4:12 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he had resided on and off the past several years.

Mr. Doll and his wife lived at 400 S. Van Buren St., Auburn.

He was a 25-year employee of General Electric in Fort Wayne, where he also lived for several years. After retirement, Mr. Doll worked as a carpenter. He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn.

He was born Aug. 10, 1901 in Spencerville to the late John and Vienna (Shilling) Doll. He married Frances E. Hursh in Spencerville on June 21, 1924. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Ann Maxwell, Riverside, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Otis Fitch, Garrett; and Mrs. Paul Clark, Fort Wayne; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. A son, Davey Doll, preceded his father in death in Aug. 1974.

Private graveside funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in Leo Memorial Cemetery. Pastor George Schuette of St. Mark's Lutheran Church will officiate.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday in Baidinger-Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's building fund or the Heimach Center, Auburn.

Harry Provines

Harry L. Provines, 72, 708 S. Union St., Auburn, died Friday at 8:35 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been hospitalized for two days.

Mr. Provines was a lifetime DeKalb County resident. He was self-employed hauling livestock for area farmers since 1934.

He was recording secretary of the DeKalb County Fair Board for the past 30 years, and was active in many fair projects. He was also a member of the DeKalb County Draft Horsemen's Association and the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Co-op.

He was born in Jackson Township on Aug. 18, 1908 to the late Roy and Etta (Smurr) Provines.

Surviving are a brother, Paul, Auburn; a nephew, Joseph, Auburn; a niece, Linda (Provines) Wolff, Auburn; three great nieces and one great nephew.

His funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Charles Davis of Garrett will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Anna Camp

HAMILTON — Anna V. Camp, 81, Route 1, Hamilton, was found dead in her home on Friday morning. She was a 29-year resident of the Hamilton area.

She was the wife of the late Forest Camp, whom she married in Albion, Ind. on Aug. 10, 1938. He preceded her in death on Jan. 9, 1977.

Mrs. Camp was born in Middletown, Ohio on Nov. 18, 1899 to the late David and Cora (Bickel) Case.

Surviving are a stepson, Paul E. Camp, Pomona, Calif.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Phyllis Smazenko, Paulding, Ohio; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Guy and Miriam Jeffers will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Helen Schiffli

GARRETT — Helen L. Schiffli, 61, 106 S. Franklin St., died at 10:14 a.m. Friday at Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne where she had been a patient since Feb. 11.

Born Sept. 3, 1919 in Fort Wayne, she had lived in Garrett since 1963. She was the daughter of Wilford and Katherine Weigele.

On April 30, 1949 she married Leo Schiffli. He survives.

Mrs. Schiffli was a member of the St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett, the Daughters of Isabella, the church's rosary society and the Harvest House.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Jim (Carol) Pierson, Huntertown; a son, James, at home; one brother, John Weigele, Tempe, Ariz.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at St. Joseph's Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating.

Burial will be in St. Michael's Cemetery, Waterloo.

Calling will be from 2-9 p.m. Sunday.

Manley Foster

CHURUBUSCO — Manley D. Foster, 83, a resident of Kendallville the past five years and a former resident of Route 3, Churubusco, died at 9:05 p.m. Thursday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. He had been ill three months.

Born in Indiana March 10, 1898, he was the son of William and Anna (Scott) Foster. In 1926 he married Rilla Harroff, who preceded him in death in 1966. In 1967 he married Bethel Harroff, who survives.

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March 23, 24, 1981 No obituaries

Maggie Shook

SHELBYVILLE — Maggie M. Shook, 79, mother of Robert F. Shook, Auburn, died Tuesday at 2:10 a.m. in W.S. Major Hospital, Shelbyville.

She had been a patient at the hospital one day and a resident of Shelbyville the past 30 years.

Mrs. Shook was a former employee of several Shelbyville department stores, among them Cason Pirie Scott, Jesters, and Belle's Fashion Shop.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Shelbyville; a 50-year member of the Order of Eastern Star; Shelbyville Business and Professional Women's Club; American Association of Retired Persons; women's branch of Elks and Eagles; and American Legion Auxiliary.

Mrs. Shook's late husband, J. Edward Shook, was a Republican mayor of Shelbyville. In addition, her son-in-law, John Anderson, later served as Democratic mayor of the city.

She was born Feb. 22, 1902 in Rush County, Indiana to the late Fred and Josephine (Kirby) Coers. She married J. Edward Shook in 1920 in Rush County.

Surviving are one son, Robert F. Shook, Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. John (Mary Margaret) Anderson, Shelbyville; one brother, Harry Coers, Protection, Kansas; two sisters, Mrs. Pauline Marshall, Waldron, Ind.; and Mrs. Ruth Gahimer, Indianapolis; two grandchildren and two great- grandchildren. One brother and two sisters preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be Friday at 11 a.m. in Murphy Mortuary, Shelbyville, with Rev. Jack Barnett Haskins officiating. Burial will be in Forest Hills Cemetery, Shelbyville.

Calling is at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Thursday.

March 26, 1981 no obituaries

Alice Hill

FORT WAYNE — Alice L. Hill, 58, 2626 S. Fairfield, Fort Wayne, died Monday at 6:25 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital. She had been ill for eight years, and a patient at the hospital for one day.

Mrs. Hill was an 18-year employee of Wolf & Dessaurer in Fort Wayne, retiring in 1975. She was born in Boone County, Ind. on Sept. 19, 1922 to George and Marie (Burroughs) Thompson. Her mother survives in Fort Wayne.

She was married to Howard Hill in LaOtto on Nov. 30, 1950. He preceded her in death on April 29, 1980.

Surviving are two sons, Richard Hill and John T. Keel, both of Fort Wayne, and two grandchildren.

She was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church in LaOtto.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. George Wirsing, pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Spencerville, will officiate. Burial will be in Huntertown Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 3-9 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, March 27, 1981

Wilber Hartung

HUNTERTOWN — Wilber E. Hartung, 84, father of Mrs. Fern Saltsman, Auburn, died unexpectedly near his home Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

Mr. Hartung was an active farmer and lived at 2416 North County Line Road near Huntertown most of his adult life.

He was a member of the Gideons; Sherman Street Church of God, Fort Wayne; and the Allen County Farm Bureau.

He was born Oct. 6, 1896 in Burkett, Ind. (Kosciusko County) to the late Charles Homer and Edith (Raker) Hartung.

On July 18, 1918 he married Grace Gerig of Auburn, who preceded him in death on May 2, 1962. On June 6, 1963 he married Dorothy Mauthe in Fort Wayne. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Fern Saltsman, Auburn; two sons, Richard Hartung, Huntertown; and Robert Hartung, Palmyra, N.Y.; one step-son, Lester Gerig, Prairie Village, Kansas; one step-daughter, Nila Brose, Gresham, Oregon; three grandchildren and six step-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn Chapel. Rev. Alan Black, pastor of County Line Church of God, and Rev. George Steininger will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today and from 9 a.m. until the service Saturday. Preferred memorials are to the Gideons and Sherman Street Church of God, Fort Wayne.

The Evening Star, March 28, 1981

Wayne Clark

WATERLOO — Wayne W. Clark, 70, Route 1, Waterloo, died Thursday morning in his home.

Mr. Clark was a retired farmer and a lifelong resident of the area. He was born Sept. 12, 1910 to the late John and Rhoda (Shultz) Clark of Butler.

Surviving are a brother, Glenn D. Clark, Route 2, Butler; and two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Crowl, Waterloo; and Mrs. Ernest (Velda) Erwin, Bryan, Ohio. A half-sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton. Officiating will be Rev. Arthur Grove, pastor of Hamilton Church of Christ, where Mr. Clark was a member. Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Leon Cline

BUTLER — Leon Cline, 82, 207 E. Oak St., Butler, died Thursday at 11:45 a.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home.

Mr. Cline was a retired railroad clerk for the New York Central Railroad. He was born Feb. 10, 1899 in Angola to the late Hubbard and Minnie (Lock) Cline. He was married Oct. 28, 1941 in Wauseon, Ohio to Gladys McClure, who survives.

Also surviving are two stepdaughters, Virginia McLatcher Grayling, Mich.; and Clarsia Haas, Bremen, Ind.; six step-grandchildren and 10 step-great-grandchildren.

His funeral was today at 1 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Rev. John Wortinger, pastor of Butler United Methodist Church, officiated. Burial was in Knauss Cemetery, Kinderhook, Mich.

The Evening Star, March 30, 1981

Joseph Hanawalt

NORTH WEBSTER, Ind. — Rev. Joseph Hanawalt, 66, North Webster, who has several relatives in the area, died March 25 in Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital following heart surgery.

Rev. Hanawalt was retired from the ministry, but had previously served at Norris Chapel, Maple Grove Church, and Robinson Chapel in this area.

Two funeral services were held today for Rev. Hanawalt, the first at North Webster United Methodist Church. Services were also held at Wheatland Avenue United Methodist Church, Burnettsville, Ind, where he was buried.

March 31, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, April 1, 1981

Madonna Clapham

Madonna M. Clapham, 67, 111 E. 16th St., Auburn, died today at 5:40 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne following a six-week illness.

Mrs. Clapham was born Aug. 8, 1913, in DeKalb County, the daughter of Norman and Luetta (Ollinger) Roland.

She retired in 1978 from DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had worked as a dietician for 10 years.

She was married Aug. 8, 1931, in DeKalb County to Herbert Johnson, who died May 12, 1964.

On March 10, 1979, she married Daniel Clapham at the First Christian Church in Auburn. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Estell Johnson, St. Louis, Mo., Clifford Johnson, Fort Wayne, and Donald Johnson, Waterloo; two daughters, Charlotte Johnson, Waterloo and Barbara Crow, Frontier, Mich.; one brother, Ralph Roland, Ashley; one sister, Leatha Deardorf, Hicksville, Ohio; and nine grandchildren.

One sister and two daughters preceded Mrs. Clapham in death.

Mrs. Clapham was a member of the Jerusalem United Methodist Church in Butler.

Funeral services will be Friday at 2 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo, the Rev. Clarence Bangs officiating. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

The family requests memorials be given to the Heimach Center in Auburn.

April 2, 3, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, April 4, 1981

Marie Ohlwine

Marie E. Ohlwine, 64, 404 W. Hobart St., Ashley, died Friday at 2:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Jan. 2, 1917, in Richland Township, she was the daughter of Milford and Inez (Park) Bowman. She married Ocsar Ohlwine, Jan. 29, 1945, in Fort Wayne. He survives.

Mrs. Ohlwine was a member of the Maple Grove United Methodist Chapel.

Other survivors include one son, Robert Ohlwine, Aurburn; two sisters, Mrs. Virgil (Bertha) Korff, and Mrs. Clark (Edna) Stahl, both of Auburn; and one grandchild.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home in Hudson with Rev. Everett L. Haines officiating.

Burial will be in the Sedan Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Margaret Chaney

SPENCERVILLE - Margaret C. Chaney, 61, who owned and operated Chaney's Restaurant in Spencerville for 31 years, died Sunday at her home following a brief illness.

Miss Chaney was born June 22, 1919, in Spencerville, the daughter of Roy and Izetta (McNabb) Chaney, and had resided in the Spencerville area all her life.

Survivors include one brother, LeRoy Chaney, Jr., Kendallville; and three sisters, Mrs. Eula Horne, Defiance, Ohio, Mrs. Eleanor McMaken, Harlan, and Mrs. Phyllis Blauser, Grabill.

Miss Chaney was a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Spencerville.

Funeral services will be at St. Peter's Lutheran Church Wednesday at 2 p.m., the Rev. Gerald Keller, pastor of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Harlan, officiating. Burial will be in the White City Cemetery, Spencerville.

Friends may call at the Baldinger and Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, after 2 p.m. Tuesday, and at the church from noon until 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The family requests memorials be given to the donor's choice.

Jennie Miller

Jennie K. Miller, 413 Duryea Dr., Auburn, died at 6 p.m. Sunday in Betz Nursing Home.

She was born in Ashley, and married Lloyd W. Miller on Sept. 28, 1923. Her husband survives. Mrs. Miller was an artist who taught in her home.

Other survivors include one son, Ted Miller, Route 8, Huntington; and four sisters, Mrs. Dorothy Shore, Plainfield; Mrs. Edith Funk, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Loretta Milliren, Springfield, Ill.; and Mrs. Alice Kistler, Hudson; and two grandchildren, Matt and Brett, both of Huntington.

There will be no calling at the funeral home. Private services will be held at the Circle Cemetery in Hudson at 2 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Cancer Society. Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo is in charge of arrangements.

Ernest Kahlke

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Ernest Kahlke, 80, 202 N. Maple St., Hicksville, died at 8:45 a.m. Sunday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born April 24, 1900 in Doehren Westfalen, West Germany, he was the son of Frederick and Wilhelmina (Roembke) Kahlke. He was married to Clara Meyer on May 2, 1943 at Napoleon, Ohio. She survives.

Mr. Kahlke came to Woodburn, Ind., in 1922. He was a farmer all his life, and worked for Producer's Stockyards in Hicksville. He moved to Hicksville in 1974. He was a member of the Christ Lutheran Church in Woodburn.

Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Barbara) Gillespie, Hicksville; two brothers, Herman Kahlke, Garrett, and Wilhelm Kahlke, Germany; two sisters, Mrs. Emil Lampe, Auburn, and Mrs. Frieda Trumpf, Germany; four grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Calling will be at Brown Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. The body will be taken to the Christ Lutheran Church in Woodburn at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Services will be held in the church at 10 a.m. Tuesday, with the Reverend Ralph M. Wetzel, pastor of the church, officiating.

Burial will be at the Christ Lutheran Church Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Orpha Freeman

AVILLA — Orpha L. Freeman, 85, Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, died at McCray Memorial Hospital in Kendallville at 11:20 a.m. Sunday.

Born on Aug. 23, 1895 in Ottawa, Ohio, she was the daughter of Peter and Anna (Elkins) Gump. She married George W. Freeman in Ari, Ind. He died in March 1965.

Mrs. Freeman was a housewife and a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Avilla.

Survivors include two sons, William and Russell, Avilla; four daughters, Mrs. Hilda Bergstrom Falconer, Waterloo; Mrs. Marjorie iddings, Garrett; Mrs. Martha Edwin Blomeke, Garrett; and Miss Evelyn Freeman, Avilla; 23 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. Three sons and two sisters preceded her in death.

Calling will be at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, after 2 p.m. today. Services will be at the funeral home Tuesday at 1:30 p.m., officiated by Reverend Eldon Krider, Pastor of the Cedar Creek Church of the Brethren. Burial will be at the Embry Cemetery, Garrett.

April 7,1981 No obituaries

Francis 'Bill' Sible

ST. JOE — Francis "Bill" Sible, 65, Route 1, St. Joe, died Tuesday at 5:35 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been ill for two days.

Mr. Sible was a retired circulation manager for Fort Wayne Newspapers and a farmer. He was born April 17, 1915 in Fort Wayne. His parents were William and Clara (Barnhart) Sible.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia; two sons, Gary, Route 1, St. Joe; and Gene, Glens Falls, N.Y.; one daughter, Glenda Shull, Route 1, St. Joe; two sisters, Rachael Sechler, Hillsdale, Mich.; and Marion Bloom, Churubusco; and three grandchildren.

He was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in St. Joe.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, St. Joe. Rev. George Wirsing will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville after 2 p.m. Thursday. Memorials to the Heart Fund or St. Mark's Lutheran Church are preferred.

Lena F. Bolinger

HUDSON — Lena F. Bolinger, 82, a resident of Hudson, died at Carlin Park Nursing Home, Angola, at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday.

Born in DeKalb County Sept. 11, 1898, she was the daughter of Peter and Liza (Getts) Freed. In 1915 she married Clyde D. Bolinger, who preceded her in death in October 1969.

Mrs. Bolinger was a member of Pleasant Lake Baptist Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Cleo (Clara) Warstler of Pleasant Lake; a son, Chester G. Bolinger of Route 1, Wolcottville; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by a son and a daughter.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Ronald L. Walters officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Visitation will be after 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Edith Blue

Edith L. Blue, 61, 338 Lincoln St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 1 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient three weeks. She was in failing health the past 18 months.

An Auburn resident the past 34 years, Mrs. Blue was a homemaker and mother who lived at her Lincoln Street address the last 14 years. She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn.

She was born Sept. 19, 1919 in Edgerton, Ohio to the late Henry William and Hattie Bell (Slater) Meyer. She married Lafayette (Lafe) P. Blue in Des Moines, Iowa on July 24, 1945. He survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Henry (Judy) VanDerbosch, Garrett; one son, William L. Blue, currently stationed near Alaska aboard the USCG "Polar Sea;" three brothers, George Meyer, Butler; Clifford Meyer, Edgerton, Ohio; and Lyman E. Meyer, Florida; and five grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Thursday.

George Deetz

WATERLOO — George W. Deetz, 58, a Waterloo native, died suddenly Tuesday at 7 p.m. in Bryan Community Hospital after suffering a heart attack.

He was a resident of West Unity, Ohio, where he lived at 522 Linda Drive. He was an employee of AT&T for 27 years, and a member of Waterloo F&AM Lodge 307.

Mr. Deetz was born in Waterloo on March 17, 1923 to the late Elmer and Hilda (Metcalf) Deetz. His wife, Gladys Flick, survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. James (Cathy) Watson, Montpelier, Ohio; one brother Walter Deetz, Pompano Beach, Fla.; two sisters, Mrs. Esther Miller, Auburn; and Mrs. Ruth Knott, Fort Wayne; and one grand- daughter.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Hollingshead Funeral Home, West Unity, Ohio with burial in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna. There will be graveside military rites.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, April 9, 1981

John Hess

John F. Hess, 80, 501 Ensley Ave., Auburn, died Wednesday at his home, which was his residence for the past 53 years.

Mr. Hess was owner-operator of Hess Motor Service in this area for 25 years. He was also a former employee of the old Auburn Automobile Company. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Auburn, and a 30-year Lions Club member.

He was born March 29, 1901 in Keyser Township to the late Franklin and Sarah (Slippey) Hess. He married Ilo Ballentine in Auburn on July 28, 1921. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, John H. Hess, Auburn; one sister, Mrs. Emma Campbell, Rochester, Minn.; three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. One brother preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Friday at 3:30 p.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, south of Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Dorothy Rathert

Dorothy E. Rathert, 65, 1108 Irene St., Auburn, died Monday at 1:30 p.m. in an auto accident. She was killed when a rock from a passing truck smashed into her windshield as she was driving on Ind. 8 east of Albion.

A former Garrett resident, Mrs. Rathert was a 10-year employee of General Electric in Fort Wayne before her retirement in 1979. She was born April 6, 1916 in Garrett to the late William and Marion Neubaurer.

Surviving are two sons, Kenneth, Fort Wayne; and Ronald, at home; one brother, Bill Neubaurer, Albion; and one grandchild.

No funeral services are planned for Mrs. Rathert. She will be interred in Embry Cemetery, Garrett. McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

April 10, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, April 11, 1981

Donald McCann

ST. JOE — Donald R. "Abie" McCann, 65, 511 Jefferson St., St. Joe, died at 5:45 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, where he had been a patient eight days. He was a mechanic for Hipskind Asphalt Co., Fort Wayne, before retiring.

Mr. McCann was born April 14, 1915, in Wilmington Twp., a son of George and Mildred (Sebert) McCann, and was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

He was married Nov. 28, 1934, in Auburn to Effiebel Freeburn, who survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Ben (Sandra) Krafft, Route 1, St. Joe; a son, David Ross McCann, Route 2, Spencerville; two brothers, James, Muskegon. Mich., and Marshall, Fort Wayne; four sisters, Pauline Oberlin of Butler, Josephine Jones, Grand Rapids, Mich., and Jessie Pettit and Martha Jean Mettert, Painesville, Ohio, and two grandchildren.

The body is at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. George Wirsing, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, officiating. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's Church.

Hilda Williams

GARRETT — Hilda M. Williams, 67, formerly of Garrett, died at 5 p.m. Saturday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she was a patient 11 days.

Mrs. Williams lived in Wesley Park Apartments, Auburn, for the past year. She moved to Auburn after her husband's death in 1969. Her Auburn address was 603½ S. Main St.

She was born Jan. 5, 1914 near Garrett to the late Frank and Nora (Wyatt) Pence. She married Robert Vernon Williams in Garrett on March 14, 1932. He preceded her in death Jan. 2, 1969.

Surviving are one son, Jack Williams, North Manchester, Ind.; one daughter, Mrs. Carolyn Brown, Waterloo; one brother, Alton Dale Pence, Garrett; three sisters, Mrs. Fern Sands, Auburn; Mrs. Florede Clark, Auburn; and Mrs. Nina McDonald, Kendallville; and five grandchildren. Two sisters preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 11 a.m. Tuesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Officiating will be Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Doris Wyne

Doris Eileen Wyne, 67, formerly of Auburn, died at 12:15 a.m. Saturday in L.W. Blake Hospital, Bradenton, Fla., where she had been a patient two days.

Mrs. Wyne had lived in Auburn 38 years before her husband retired and the couple moved to Bradenton, Fla. She was a homemaker and mother, a member of the Nazarene Church, Auburn, and Jackson Township Home Demonstration Club.

She was born Sept. 28, 1913 in Muncie, Ind. to the late Lafeyette D. and Ona Mae (Palmer) Mumford. On June 7, 1930 she married Gordon Edward Wyne in Muncie. He survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, all of Auburn, Mrs. Max (Betty) Culler; Mrs. Lionel (Frances) Winslow; and Mrs. Robert (Harriett) Walker; two sons, Gordon E. Wyne, Jr., Costa Mesa, Calif.; and Larry L. Wyne, Excelsior, Minn.; two sisters, Mrs. Charles (June) Hunt, Florida; and Mrs. John (Lydgia) Griener, Muncie; 20 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Carl Greek, pastor of Auburn Nazarene Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to DeKalb County Hospice of Hope.

Emelia Moll

Emelia Moll, 51, a long-time resident of Glen Oaks, Auburn, died around 8 p.m. Sunday.

A brother, Richard Moll, survives in Illinois.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery

Friends may call at the funeral home after 9 a.m. Wednesday.

Fred Diederich

GARRETT — Fred J. Diederich, 87, 108 S. Second St., Garrett, died Monday at 1 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient one week.

A lifetime Garrett resident, Mr. Diederich was a member of the Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrettt. He retired from the B&O Railroad in 1959 after 40 years service.

He was born July 28, 1893 in Garrett to the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles Diederich. He was married Dec. 19, 1918 in Garrett to Martha L. Duchow. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Melvin Diederich, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Howard (Iona) Smith, Kansas City, Mo.; one sister, Emma Nott, Garrett; seven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Four brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, after 2 p.m. Wednesday and after noon Thursday at the church.

Preferred memorials are to the church building fund.

Flossie Culvert

Flossie Culvert, 78, formerly of 308 N. Eckhart St., Auburn, died Monday at 8:30 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, where she lived the past 18 months.

Mrs. Culvert was a lifelong resident of Auburn, and was a retired homemaker. She had lived at her Eckhart Street address the past 20 years and was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn.

She was born Feb. 18, 1903 in Auburn to the late John and Ollie (Sebring) Grate. Her husband, Paul Culvert, preceded her in death on June 6, 1977.

Surviving are one son, Martin Beidler, Bronson, Mich; one brother, Lloyd Grate, Auburn; and one grandchild.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday at Immaculate Conception Church with Father Jerry Konecny officiating. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Sunday. A rosary service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Adrian Jump

Adrian B. Jump, 78, Route 1, Auburn, died today at 1 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a three-month illness.

A native of Woodburn, Ind., Mr. Jump was a lifelong area farmer. He was born Nov. 6, 1902 to the late Bert and Ada (Bailey) Jump. He married Goldie Rupert in Fort Wayne on March 4, 1924. She survives.

Also surviving are three children, all of Fort Wayne; two sons, Richard, and James; and one daughter, Mrs. James (Juanita) Sutton; one brother, Herman Jump, Benton Harbor, Mich.; 10 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn Chapel. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

Glenn Brock

AVILLA — Glenn W. Brock, 74, of 120 Van Scoyoc St., Avilla, died Tuesday at 3:15 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville, following a lengthy illness.

Born in Grant County March 31, 1907, he was the son of Joseph A. and Effie (Campbell) Brock. He married Deloris (Cross) Cramer on March 28, 1942, in Wabash. She survives.

Mr. Brock, a resident of Avilla since 1946, was proprietor of Brock & Sons until it closed in 1979. He was a United States Navy veteran and a member of Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla; Avilla Lodge 460 A. & F.M., Easter Star 155, Avilla; Scottish Rite, Fort Wayne; Apollo Commandry 19, Garrett; DeKalb Council No. 57; Garrett Chapter 129 R.A.M.; Noble County Past Masters Association; and Grand Council High Priest.

Surviving with his wife are two stepsons, Paul H. Cramer of Avilla and James R. Cramer of Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Martha Ertel of Marion; a brother, Joseph Brock of Fort Wayne; and seven step-grandchildren.

Three brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, with Rev. Robert Carmin officiating.

Burial will be in Center Grove Cemetery, Wabash.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Thursday and from 2-9 p.m. Friday.

A Masonic service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to Avilla Lodge 460 A. & F.M., Siding Fund or American Lung Association.

Raymond Doctor

Raymond H. Doctor, 63, 8449 Wayne Trace, Fort Wayne, the father of Auburn resident Mrs. Karen Bickel, died Tuesday at 1:43 p.m. at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Mr. Doctor had been a patient at Parkview for six days.

He was born Feb. 14, 1918, in Adams Township, Allen County, the son of Louis and Johanna (Hormann) Doctor. He lived in Adams Township all his life and was a full-time farmer.

Survivors include his wife, the former Hazel Roemer; two daughters, Mrs. Bickel and Sharon Palmer, Fort Wayne; one son, DeWayne, Fort Wayne; three brothers, Ralph, Monroeville, Ervin, Woodburn, and Clarence, Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

Mr. Doctor was a member of the board of directors of the Allen County Co-op. He was also a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Wayne Trace.

Funeral services will be at the church Friday at 1:30 p.m., the Rev. Albert Bierlein, pastor of Emmanuel, officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

Friends may call at E. Harper and Son Funeral Home in New Haven today from 7-9 p.m., Thursday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m., and Friday at the church after 12 noon.

The family requests memorials be given to Emmanuel Lutheran Church or to the heart fund.

April 16,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, April 17, 1981

Linley Hawver

Linley Hawver, 61, Route 2, Auburn, died at 7:40 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was admitted to the hospital after suffering a stroke Tuesday at 5 p.m.

Mr. Hawver was a DeKalb County farmer all his life and was a member of the county Farm Bureau Co-op; DeKalb County Draft Horsemen's Association; and Calvary Chapel, Butler.

He was born at Butler Center (south of Garrett) on April 24, 1919 to the late Don and Mary (Weaver) Hawver. He married Ruby Christlieb in Auburn on Sept. 22, 1940. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Don, Butler; one daughter, Mrs. Roberta Sapp, Pleasant Lake; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Johnson, and Mrs. Eliner Gingrich, both of Auburn; and five grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Dennis Kutzner, pastor of Calvary Chapel, will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday. Preferred memorials are to the church.

The Evening Star, April 18, 1981

Esther Smith

BUTLER — Esther Smith, 80, Butler, died at 10:30 p.m. Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a week's illness.

She was born Nov. 4, 1900 in Wilmington Township to Solomon and Ida (Swartz) Hose, and was a life-long resident of the Butler area. Her first marriage was on Dec. 1, 1923 to George Cotrill, who died June 6, 1951. Her second marriage was on Aug. 4, 1962 to Guy Smith, who died July 9, 1975.

Mrs. Smith was a homemaker, and a member of the Butler Church of Christ. She also belonged to the Forest chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, and the Pythian Sisters, Hamilton.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Alice Tumbleson, and Mrs. Ruth Gearhart, both of Butler; a brother, Walter Hose, Butler; three grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 1 p.m. in the Johnson Funeral Services will be Monday at 1 p.m. in the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler with the Revs. David Beard and Harry Farrer officiating. Burial will be in the Riverview Cemetery. Friends may call after 2 p.m Sunday.

The Evening Star, April 20, 1981

Mary Noble

AVILLA — Mary I. Noble, 86, formerly of Route 2, Avilla, died Sunday at 8:20 a.m. in Kendallville Nursing Home, where she resided the last eight years.

A former homemaker and babysitter, Mrs. Noble was a member of the Garrett Church of the Nazarene.

She was born July 12, 1894 in Kenton, Ohio to the late William and Levina (Sieg) Cook. She married the late Donald Noble in Fort Wayne on March 1, 1937.

Surviving are one son, Steven Noble, Nappanee, Ind.; one sister, Mrs. Cliff (Margaret) Rostorfer, Wapakoneta, Ohio; and four grandchildren. A brother, Dee Cook, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Garrett Nazarene Church with Rev. John Frye, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the church Wednesday from noon until the time of the service. McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

Wrong chapter

BUTLER — Esther Smith, Butler, who died Friday, was a member of the Butler chapter of the Pythian Sisters. Saturday's edition incorrectly stated that she belonged to the Hamilton chapter.

Marie Johnston

GARRETT — Marie T. Johnston, 68, 101 S. Lee St., Garrett, died at 1:39 a.m. today in her home after a six-week illness. She lived in Garrett all her life.

She was member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett, and of the church's Rosary Society.

She was born Dec. 30, 1912 to the late Paul and Rose (DeRosa) Muzzillo. On June 27, 1936, she married Mitchell D. Johnston in Garrett. He survives.

Also surviving are one son, Michael, Garrett; three brothers, Martin Muzzillo, Garrett; Bernard Muzzillo, Wabash, Ind.; and Norbert Muzzillo, Cleveland, Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. Ford (Margaret) Lung, Garrett; Julia DeRosa, Angola; Mrs. Charles (Theresa) Whitcraft, Wabash; and Mrs. Arthur (Mary) Spadafore, Wauseon, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. A Rosary service for Mrs. Johnston will take place at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Stella Smith Williams

CORUNNA — Stella B. Smith Williams, 74, Hindman, Ky., died at 2 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 19. She had been in failing health for the past five years.

Surviving are eight daughters (including Opal Short, Corunna, Ind.), four sons, 53 grandchildren and 35 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dingus Williams, four sons, one daughter, and one granddaughter.

Mrs. Williams was born Nov. 8, 1907 to the late Minda B. Smith, Hindman, Ky.

Her funeral will be Wednesday in Hindman Funeral Home.

Bill DeMint

Rondo Bill DeMint, son of Russell R. DeMint, 734 N. Jackson St., Auburn, died recently in Phoenix, Arizona. He was buried April 16, 1981 in Phoenix, according to his father.

In addition to his father, DeMint is survived by his wife, Barbara, and one daughter, Sherry, both of Phoenix. He is a former resident of Avilla and Fort Wayne.

The Evening Star, April 22, 1981

G. Arthur Drerup

CORUNNA — G. Arthur Drerup, 69, Depot Street, Corunna, died at 1:15 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. Death was attributed to a stroke. He had been hospitalized since Feb. 15.

Mr. Drerup was a former Town Marshall of Corunna (1960-64).

He was a 25-year member of the Corunna Fire Department, serving eight years as chief. He retired from the fire department in 1977. He was a 35-year resident of Corunna.

Mr. Drerup also served 26 years as an employee of Rohm Chevrolet in Auburn, retiring in 1978. He was an Army infantry veteran of World War II, and a member of the Garrett American Legion.

He was born in Garrett on Aug. 18, 1911 to the late Gerhard and Bess (Lindsay) Drerup.

He married Marie Kulow on May 18, 1946 in Corunna. His wife survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Sandra Spillner, Big Long Lake; and Mrs. Margaret Henderson, Waterloo; one stepdaughter, Mrs. Janet Fifer, Battle Creek, Mich.; one son, David, Montpelier, Ohio; two brothers, Woodrow and Albert, both of Corunna; one sister, Mrs. Katherine Brand, Ashley; 12 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Two brothers and one sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Friday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of Waterloo United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Audrey Willennar

ALBION — Audrey E. Willennar, 86, of 110 W. Highland St., Albion, died at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Fort Wayne Health Center following a 6-month illness.

Born July 25, 1894, in Steuben County, she was the daughter of Thomas and Meda (Vogtman) Jones. On Dec. 24, 1913, in Waterloo, she married Zeller Willennar, who served as principal of Albion High School for years. He preceded her in death in 1960.

Mrs. Willennar moved from Garrett to Albion in 1929, where she was a housewife and a member of Asbury United Methodist Church.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. James (Georgia) Moeller of Fort Wayne; and a son, Alfred H. Willennar of Canton, Ohio.

A brother and a sister preceded her in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with Rev. Kenneth Foulke officiating.

Burial will be in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Lucille Myers

CHURUBUSCO — Lucille Myers, 71, Route 2, Churubusco, died in her home at 6 a.m. today. Death was due to an apparent heart attack.

Mrs. Myers was a lifelong resident of Churubusco. She and her husband operated the Super Valu grocery store in Churubusco for 47 years before their retirement in 1979. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Churubusco, and formerly a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Pythian Sisters.

She was born on April 7, 1910, to Lawrence and Edna (Richards) Jones. She married Stanley Myers in South Bend on Dec. 31, 1934. He survives.

Other survivors include one son, one brother, one sister and two grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel, Churubusco. Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Friday and 12 noon Saturday.

Leon Gingery

GARRETT — Leon A. Gingery, 56, 418 S. Britton St., Garrett, died Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in Fort Wayne's Parkview Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since April 13.

A lifelong Garrett resident, Mr. Gingery was a 30-year employee of Dana Corporation, Auburn, where he worked as an inspector in the clutch department.

He was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, the Garrett American Legion post, and Knight's of Columbus. He was a U.S. Army veteran.

He was born in Garrett March 5, 1925, the son of Leon G. and Mammie Mary (Rechtine) Gingery. His mother survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are seven sons, Charles and Roger, Garrett; Gerald, Anthony, and Michael, South Whitley; David, Fort Knox, Ky.; and Mark, Fort Lewis, Wash.; two daughters, Maria, Garrett; and Rosie, Indianapolis; and two brothers, Raymond, Garrett; and Robert, Kingwood, Texas.

His funeral will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

A Rosary service will be held at 8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home. Garrett American Legion and VFW will conduct a graveside military service Saturday.

Glen R. Agler

Glen R. (Red) Agler, 67, brother of Mrs. Ila Kline, Waterloo, died April 16 in Ball Memorial Hospital, Muncie.

Mr. Agler, of Union City, Ind., retired in 1973 from Union City Body Company after 32 years service.

He was born July 6, 1913 in Hicksville, Ohio to the late Ora and Mildred (Johnson) Agler. He was a past member of the Union City, Ohio Council and Board of Public Affairs.

Local survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Vernon (Ila) Kline, Waterloo; and Mrs. Erman Howey, Hicksville, Ohio.

His funeral was held Monday, April 20 in Lisbon Cemetery.

The Evening Star, April 24, 1981

William Pendland

William E. Pendland, 84, Castle Court Apartments, Auburn, died Thursday at 10:25 p.m. in the Fort Wayne Veterans Administration Hospital. He had been a patient there for two weeks, and in failing health for two years.

Mr. Pendland was a commercial printer, a member of the Typographical Association, and worked for 10 years at Auburn Printing Company. He was once a prominent bowler in Fort Wayne. He was a World War I veteran, a member of American Legion Post 97 and the Auburn First United Methodist Church.

Mr. Pendland was born Oct. 5, 1896 in DeKalb County. He married Nellie Emerick, Dec. 24, 1919. His wife survives.

Also surviving are one grandaughter, three grandsons, two great grandchildren, two half-sisters, Lavornia Julian, Muskegon, Mich.; and Ruth Draime, Willard, Ohio. A son and daughter preceded him in death.

His funeral will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Auburn First United Methodist Church. Rev. Carl O. Wirey will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call from 6-8 p.m. tonight and 9-11 a.m. Saturday at D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn Chapel. The body will lie in state at the church from 12 noon until the time of the service.

Memorials to the First United Methodist Church are preferred.

April 25, 1981 No obituaries

Hal Mortorff

GARRETT — Hal E. Mortorff, 26, 414 N. Randolph St., Garrett, died unexpectedly Sunday at 11 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was stricken while jogging in Garrett and an autopsy will be held today to determine cause of death.

Mr. Mortorff was an employee of County Line Cheese and was an elder at Calvary Chapel Worship Center, Auburn.

He was born Jan. 21, 1955 in Garrett to Ross E. and Dorothy (Graham) Mortorff, both of Fort Wayne. He married Verna Green in Leo, Ind. on Feb. 19, 1977. She survives.

Also surviving are a step-daughter, Lea, at home; a brother, Tom Mortorff, Seattle, Wash.; a sister, Mrs. Marsha Thompson, Fort Wayne; grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Carl Grimm, Sebring, Fla.; and Ross Mortorff, Texas.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Bible Baptist Church, Auburn. Rev. Rodney Buzzard, pastor of Calvary Chapel Worship Center, will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn Chapel, after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Calling will be at the church on Wednesday from noon until the 2 p.m. service.

Preferred memorials are to the Hal E. Mortorff Memorial Fund.

Clarence Sands

Clarence D. Sands, 83, 602 N. Main St. Auburn, died Saturday at 3:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he was a patient eight days.

Mr. Sands had lived on Main Street 40 years. He was retired from International Harvester, Fort Wayne and was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church. He belonged to the Auburn Masonic Lodge, having been initiated in 1944.

He was born Aug. 16, 1898 in Farmer, Ohio to the late William and Mary (Ridenour) Sands. He married Fern Pence in Hillsdale, Mich. on Dec. 15, 1918. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Max Sands, Auburn; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6:30 p.m. today. A Masonic memorial service will be held in the funeral home at 8 tonight.

The Evening Star, April 28, 1981

Otto Mertz

Services for Otto E. Mertz, 99, formerly of Fort Wayne, and a five-year resident of Lutheran Home, Kendallville, were held at 1 p.m. today in the Lutheran Home, where he died at 3:25 a.m. Saturday. Rev. William Griebel officiated.

He was born in DeKalb County June 10, 1881, the son of Benjamin and Johanna (Aumann) Mertz.

Mr. Mertz was a retired engineer and chemist and a member of Peace Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne.

Surviving are a sister, Metha Fraze of Kendallville, and several nieces and nephews.

His wife, Agnes preceded him in death Sept. 17, 1976. Also preceding him in death were seven brothers and two sisters.

Burial was in Concordia Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Memorials may be directed to the charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, April 29, 1981

Arthur Kester

KENDALLVILLE — Auburn native Arthur Kester, 66, Route 3, Kendallville, died Tuesday at 2:18 p.m. in Miller's Merry Manor, LaGrange, where he was a resident the past two months. Mr. Kester had been in ill health the past three months.

Prior to his illness, he was an employee of Burtzner-Wilhelm Gravel Company, working as an equipment operator the past 44 years.

He was born Oct. 18, 1914 in Auburn to the late James and Addie Mae Kester. He married Rebecca Rowe in Fort Wayne on March 4, 1961. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Robert Kester, Bowling Green, Ohio; six sisters, Mrs. Lucille Hassett and Mrs. Jesse Brown, both of Waterloo; Mrs. Olive Hess, Mrs. Kate Munk, and Mrs. Betty Russell, all of Auburn; and Mrs. Lavone Bradley, Garrett; and one grand-daughter.

His funeral will be 2 p.m. Friday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Arrangements for a minister are pending. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemtery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

Yvonne E. Van Auken

Yvonne E. Van Auken, infant daughter of James and Jeanette (Whitlock) Van Auken, Fort Wayne, was stillborn at DeKalb Memorial Hospital at 7:55 a.m. Monday.

In addition to her parents, survivors include her paternal grandparents, Gary and Sandra Shaw, Waterloo; and maternal grandparents, Patricia Jester, Fort Wayne; and John Whitlock, Lafayette.

Graveside funeral services will be held 10 a.m. Thursday in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett. Rev. Doyle Carpenter, pastor of First Baptist Church, Garrett, will officiate.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, is in charge of arrangements.

April 30, 1981 No obituaries

Robert Wilder

Robert H. Wilder, 59, 1048 Susan St., Auburn, died at 1 a.m. Sunday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient three weeks. He had been in ill health the past year.

Mr. Wilder, a former Steuben County resident, worked as a mason and was an Army veteran of World War II. He was a member of the Indian Village Church of God, Auburn.

He was born May 25, 1921 in Van Wert, Ohio to the late Silous and Nancy (Wilson) Wilder. On Jan. 22, 1940, he married Wilma Della Northup in Ashley. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Donna) Wilhelm, Ashley; Mrs. Lola Fairchild, Auburn; and Mrs. Rex (Roberta) Whetzel, Wolcottville; one son, Steve, at home; three Wilder brothers, Carl, Pleasant Lake; Sam, Helmer; and Donald, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Herman (Kathyrn) Craven, Edon, Ohio; Mrs. Garold (Evelyn) Northup, Howe; Mrs. Jim (Vera) Menke, Fort Wayne; and eight grandchildren.

Mr. Wilder was preceded in death by one brother, Jay Wilder; two sisters, Thelma Goudy and Audrey Ryan; a son-in-law, Richard Fairchild; and one grandson, Gary Lynn Fairchild.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Indian Village Church of God. Rev. Larry Jeffries, church pastor, will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, after 4 p.m. tonight.

May 1, 1981 No obituaries
May 2, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, May 5, 1981

Ralph Hamman

ASHLEY — Ralph J. Hamman, 83, Route 1, Ashley, a lifelong DeKalb County farmer and civic leader, died in DeKalb Memorial Hospital Monday at 9 a.m. after suffering a heart attack in Auburn's Keltsch Pharmacy.

He was a retired farmer and a member of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo. A World War I Army veteran, he belonged to Auburn American Legion, Waterloo Masonic Lodge, and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite.

Mr. Hamman was a former board member of Albion Production Credit Association and DeKalb County Co-op. He was a former Smithfield Township trustee and township representative for DeKalb County Farmers Mutual Insurance Co.

He was born May 27, 1897 in Smithfield Township to the late Simon and Cora (Bollinger) Hamman. He married Doris Orene Collins in Auburn on Feb. 18, 1919. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Max, Ashley; and Wayne, Auburn; one daughter, Wilma Kern, South Whitley; nine grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Four brothers and two sisters preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo with Rev. Bob Dexter officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

A graveside military service conducted by Auburn American Legion post members will take place prior to burial. A Masonic Lodge memorial service for Mr. Hamman will be held at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Jody Carlson

MANISTEE, Mich. — Jody Carlson, former Auburn resident, died April 28 at the West Shore Hospital, Manistee. She had resided in Manistee since moving from Auburn in 1960.

A memorial service for Mrs. Carlson was held May 2 in Manistee United Methodist Church, according to family friends.

Mrs. Carlson was an employee of City National Bank and was active in Jaycee Anns during her stay in Auburn.

Survivors in addition to her husband include two daughters, Shellann, and Sherry; and one son, Eric, all at home.

A memorial fund in her name has been set up by First United Methodist Church, Manistee.

The Evening Star, May 6, 1981

Albert Winteregg

Albert Winteregg, 92, a former Berne, Ind. resident, died Tuesday at 6:20 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mr. Winteregg was a retired employee of General Electric in Decatur, a member of the First Mennonite Church in Berne, and belonged to the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars and Disabled American Veterans. He was a World War I veteran.

He was born Oct. 18, 1888 in Berne to John and Sarah (Leichty) Winteregg. He married Esther Bixler in 1917. She preceded him in death in 1965.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Keith (Winifred) Baker, Waterloo (with whom he lived for the last three years, until entering the nursing home five months ago); Mrs. John (Mary Alice) Conrad Newell, Fort Wayne; nine grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren. One sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 4 p.m. Friday in Winteregg-Linn and Haggard Funeral Home in Decatur. Rev. Curt Claassen will officiate. Burial will be in M.R.E. Cemetery in Berne, with military graveside rites by the American Legion.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, May 7, 1981

Viola R. Dressel

ST. JOE — Viola R. Dressel, 73, 101 School St., St. Joe, died at 11:50 p.m. Wednesday in Meadowhaven Nursing Home, Butler, where she had been a resident three weeks. She was in failing health the past eight months.

A lifelong St. Joe resident, she was a member of St. Joe Church of Christ.

Mrs. Dressel was born in DeKalb County on Dec. 17, 1907 to the late Earl and Jessie (Freeburn) Coburn.

Surviving are two brothers, Robert Coburn and Orville Coburn, both of St. Joe; and one sister, Agatha Wasson, Butler. Two brothers preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Baldinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville with Dennis King, pastor of the St. Joe Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in Alton Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Cancer Society.

Sheldon K. Hause

WATERLOO — Sheldon Kendall Hause, 35, grandson of the late Horatio (Hoddie) and Maude Hine, Waterloo, was killed in a motorcycle accident May 2 in Fairfax, Va.

He is survived by his parents, Charles and Almina Katherine (Hine) Hause, Portsmouth, Va. A native of Portsmouth, Mr. Hause was a resident of Falls Church, Va. at the time of his death.

His remains were cremated, and a graveside funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Friday in Waterloo Cemetery. Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of Waterloo First United Methodist Church, will officiate.

Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

Martha Humbert

Martha Humbert, 82, 205 E. Fourteenth St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 10:50 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient three days. She was in ill health the past five months.

A housewife and mother, she was a member of Indian Village Church of God.

Mrs. Humbert was born April 12, 1899 in Allen County to the late William and Aretta DePew. She married Ralph Humbert on Jan. 14, 1923. He preceded her in death on Oct. 14, 1978.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Frank (Mabel) Eldridge, Auburn, and Mrs. Kenneth (Fern) Wilcoxson, both of Auburn; Mrs. John (Wilma) Sherck, Waterloo; and Mrs. Donald (Wanita) Hisey, Wolcotville; one sister, Mrs. Edna DePew, Butler; 10 grandchildren and six great- grandchildren. One daughter, Irene Diederich, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 1 p.m. Saturday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. Alva Klopfenstein officiating. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Huntertown.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Friday.

May 8, 1981 No obituraies

The Evening Star, May 9, 1981

Claribell Kirkpatrick

Claribell E. Kirkpatrick, 61, Route 2, Kendallville, died Friday at 2:30 a.m.

She was born Oct. 18, 1919 in Wolcottville to William and Clarabell Metzger Zimmerman Sr. She was married Jan. 10, 1941 in Avilla to Rutherford Kirkpatrick, who survives. Mrs. Kirkpatrick was a member of the Corunna demonstration club.

Surviving with the husband are a daughter, Mrs. Jay (Kay) Oberholtzer, Route 2, Kendallville; two sons, Jerry, St. Joe, and Lynn, Warsaw; three sisters, Mrs. Dorothy McCoy, Piqua, Ohio; Mrs. Mildred Scott, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Gertrude Strebb, Kendallville, and three grandchildren.

Services will be at the Hite Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Monday, with the Rev. Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in the Fairfield Center cemetery. Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Jerry Geisinger

GARRETT — Jerry Geisinger, 31, 610 N. Randolph Street, Garrett, died Friday at 8:30 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital.

He was born Sept. 1, 1949 in Auburn to Hubert and Anna Reinig Geisinger. He was married July 23, 1977 to Julie Richards, who survives.

Mr. Geisinger was employed at Warner Gear Company, Auburn, and was a member of the Auburn United Methodist Church.

Surviving with the wife and the parents are three daughters, Jodi, Jamyee and Jena, all at home, and two brothers, Larry, Kendallville, and Lonnie, Oregon.

Services will be Tuesday at 1 p.m. in Dilgard Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. John Dicken officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Monday.

May 11, 1981 No Obituaries

The Evening Star, May 12, 1981

Mildred Gaff

BUTLER — Mildred Gaff, 77, Route 2, Butler, died Monday morning in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there for one week.

Mrs. Gaff was born in Troy Township, DeKalb County on Feb. 25, 1904 to the late Frank and Saloma (Mark) Teutsch.

She married Elmer Gaff in Butler on Jan. 2, 1926. He survives.

Also surviving are a son, Max, Route 2, Butler; two brothers, Roy Teutsch, Butler and Loren Teutsch, Phoenix, Ariz.; three grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

She was a member of Big Run United Methodist Church and the Wittenberg Guild.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Officiating will be Pastor Larry Ort of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Butler. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Mandy Jo Everetts

HAMILTON — Mandy Jo Everetts, age 3 days, died Monday at 2:57 a.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was the daughter of Ted and Kathy (Minars) Everetts, Route 1, Hamilton. She was born May 8, 1981 in Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Surviving in addition to the parents are a brother, Kevin, and sister, Melanie, both at home; paternal grandparents Theodore and Vera Everetts, Route 1, Hamilton, and maternal grandmother Mrs. Imogene Minars, Albany, Ind.

Services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Richard Ralston, pastor of Big Run United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Eddy Cemetery.

May 13, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, May 14, 1981

James Buttermore

CHANDLER, Ariz. — James W. Buttermore, 66, formerly of Auburn, died Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. in the Chandler, Ariz. Hospital.

Mr. Buttermore attended Auburn schools and graduated from Auburn High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force Sept. 7, 1940 and retired 35 years later with the rank of Lt. Colonel.

He was born Feb. 15, 1915 to the late William and Alice (Weeks) Buttermore, Auburn.

Surviving are his wife, Helen; one son, James Richard Buttermore, Phoenix; two brothers, Harold R. Buttermore, Goshen, Ind.; and Jay E. Buttermore, Phoenix; and three grandchildren. One brother, Kenneth Buttermore, preceded him in death.

Mr. Buttermore's late address was 628 W. Dublin St., Chandler, Az.

His funeral will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. in Chandler, Ariz.

Paul Friedel

BUTLER — Paul John Friedel, 51, 537 E. Main St. Butler, died Wednesday at 2:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been a Butler resident the past 25 years.

Mr. Friedel was a retired printer formerly employed by Parrott Press, Fort Wayne. He was a member of St. Michael's Catholic Church, Hicksville, and the DeKalb County Sheriff's Reserve.

He was born Aug. 4, 1929 in Toledo, Ohio to John and Theresa (McCarthy) Friedel. Mrs. Friedel survives in Avilla. He married Martha Jean Krontz in Edgerton, Ohio on Feb. 4, 1955. She survives.

Also surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Paula Hampel, Butler; Mrs. Sherry Rammazzina, Guatemala City, Central America; Bonnie and Penny Friedel, both at home; one son, Jeremy Paul Friedel, also at home; one brother, Ralph, Auburn; one sister, Mrs. Ruth Peachy, Kendallville; and two grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler with Rev. William Harmon officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

May 15, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, May 16, 1981

Jacob Sean Harber

COLUMBIA CITY — Jacob Sean Harber, infant son of Kenneth Leo and Donna Marie (Thompson) Harber, Route 5, Columbia City, died at 4:10 p.m. Friday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been ill since birth.

The father is an employee of Dawn Donuts, Auburn.

The baby was born March 29 and was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Arcola.

Surviving in addition to the parents are the paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Harber, Route 5, Columbia City; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thompson, Fort Wayne, and great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Anderson, Gulston, Ky.

The body is here at the DeMoney-Grimes Funeral Home, where friends may call from 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Patrick's Catholic Church, with burial in St. Joseph's Cemetery, Roanoke.

Minnie A. Johnson

WATERLOO — Minnie A. Johnson, 75, 230 N. Grant St., Waterloo, died Sunday at 5:35 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she was a patient four days. She had been in ill health the past two weeks.

Mrs. Johnson was a homemaker and mother and resided on Grant Street for a number of years.

She was born March 23, 1906 in Mishawaka, Ind. to the late Edward and Christine (Clark) Stuller. She married Nelson Johnson in Corunna on Sept. 20, 1928. He survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jack, Waterloo, and Harold, Auburn; six daughters, Mrs. Nancy Sizemore and Mrs. Alice Holmes, both of Auburn; Mrs. Beverly Jones, Spencerville; Mrs. Betty Beckwith, Kendallville; Mrs. Deloris Johnson, Hobbs, New Mexico; and Mrs. Faye Christlieb, Mount Pleasant, Mich; 26 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. One brother preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Auburn, will officiate. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Harold Johnson

BUTLER — Harold W. Johnson, 81, died Sunday at 6:50 a.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler. He had been a resident there for two years.

Mr. Johnson was a lifetime resident of the Butler area. He was born July 27, 1899 to the late Henry and Martha (Broyles) Johnson.

He was a retired funeral director, owner of the Johnson Funeral Home since 1945, and had worked in the profession since 1929.

He was married Feb. 18, 1922 to Esther Krafft, who survives. They were married at the bride's home in rural Butler.

Also surviving are one son, J. Reynold Johnson, Butler; one daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Campbell, Butler; one sister, Mrs. Lorna Gahegan, Butler; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Johnson was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church, a 50-year member of Forest Lodge No. 239 F.&A.M., 50-year member of the Angola Chapter and Council, a member of Fort Wayne Scottish Rite and Fort Wayne Mizpah Shrine, Forest Chapter No. 44 O.E.S., and the Angola Commandery, and a 50-year member of the Indiana Funeral Directors Association.

His funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Funeral Home, with Rev. John Wortinger officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. today. Masonic services will be at 7 tonight in the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to Forest Lodge, No. 239 building fund.

May 19,1981 No obituaries
May 20,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, May 21, 1981

Christine Fry

PAYNE, Ohio — Christine Fry, 58, Route 2, Payne, Ohio, died in her home Tuesday at 6:20 p.m. after an extended illness.

Mrs. Fry was the mother of Helen Decker, Auburn. Mr. and Mrs. Decker run the Log Cabin Market in Auburn, and said the store will be closed all day Friday in observance.

Mrs. Fry was employed at General Electric, Fort Wayne, and was born Nov. 29, 1922.

She is survived by her husband, Russell W. Fry; two daughters, Mrs. Helen Decker, Auburn; and Donna Woods, Tona Pah, Nevada; one son, Forrest Troutner, Chicago; six brothers and two sisters, all in Missouri; and six grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1 p.m. Friday (Indiana time) in Slade's Funeral Home, Payne, Ohio, with Rev. Gerald Hihm officiating. Burial will be in Lehman Cemetery, Payne.

Minnie Johnston

WATERLOO — Funeral services for Minnie A. Johnston, 75, 230 N. Grant St., Waterloo, were held Wednesday in Feller Funeral Home.

Rev. John Dicken, pastor of Auburn United Methodist Church, officiated. Burial was in Fairfield Cemetery, north of Corunna.

Mrs. Johnston died last Sunday at 9:35 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient four days. She had been in ill health for two weeks.

She was a housewife and mother, and resided on Grant Street for a number of years. She was born March 23, 1906 in Mishawawka, Ind. to the late Edward and Christine (Clark) Stuller. She married Nelson Johnston in Corunna on Sept. 20, 1928. He survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Jack, Waterloo; Harold, Auburn; six daughters, Mrs. Alice Holmes, Auburn; Mrs. Nancy Sizemore, Corunna; Mrs. Beverly Jones, Spencerville; Mrs. Betty Beckwith, Kendallville; Mrs. Deloris Johnson, Hobbs, New Mexico; and Mrs. Faye Christlieb, Mount Pleasant, Mich.; 26 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren. One brother preceded her in death.

Dan Bell

Dan Bell, 73, 1628 Lakeshore Dr., Auburn, died today at 5:45 a.m. in his home, where he had resided over 30 years.

A native of Sneedsville, Tenn., Mr. Bell was a retired Auburn Foundry employee.

He was born in Sneedsville on Nov. 25, 1907 to the late Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bell. He married Viney Collins in 1932. She surivies.

Also suriving are two step-sons, Ralph Gibson, Auburn; and James Gibson, address unknown; three brothers, Jessee, Waterloo; Noah, Tennessee.; and Hubert, Virginia; three sisters, Mrs. Dora Moore, Auburn; Mrs. Martha Cope, Virginia; and Mrs. Rosie Dipe, Tennessee; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Gary Klinger, associate pastor of Auburn Nazarene Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Sunday.

Charles Ezra Streets

LEESBURG, Fla. — Charles Ezra Streets, 67, Route 3, Leesburg, Fla., died Thursday in Leesburg.

Mr. Streets is a former Auburn resident who moved to Leesburg in 1977. He was a retired factory assembler for the Warner Gear Company, Auburn, and was a member of the First Baptist Church of Leesburg. He was born in Alger, Ohio.

Survivors include his wife, Eunice T. Streets; two sons, Jody Streets, Corpus Christi, Texas; and Dave Streets, Phoenix; one daughter, Linda Rowland, Wildwood, Fla.; one brother, Glenn Streets, Lima, Ohio.

His funeral will be Saturday at 4 p.m. in Beyers Funeral Chapel, Leesburg, Fla. Burial will follow in Lone Oak Cemetery, Leesburg.

The Evening Star, May 23, 1981

Ryan Souder

Ryan Joshua Souder, the son of William and Linda May Souder, 1201 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died Friday at 8 p.m. shortly after he was born in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

In addition to the parents, survivors include one brother, Chad, at home; three half-sisters, Trina and Gina of Decatur, and Vicki, South Bend; paternal grandparents, Ralph and Mildred Souder, rural Butler; maternal grandparents, James and Nancy May, Winamac; paternal great-grandmother Mrs. Etta Souder, Butler; and maternal great-grandmother Mrs. Beva May.

Graveside services will be 2 p.m. Monday in the Butler Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are being made by the Johnson Funeral Home Butler.

May 25, 1981 No obituaries

William Read Sr.

LAPORTE, Ind. — William R. Read Sr., 60, a former Auburn resident, died at 3:50 this morning in LaPorte Hospital. He had been ill for six months.

Mr. Read moved from Auburn to LaPorte 30 years ago. He lived at 1503 Lincolnway, LaPorte, and was a maintenance man for Goerlich's Inc.-Questor. He was a veteran of World War II.

He was born in LaPorte on June 21, 1920. He married Esther L. Haywood in LaPorte on Aug. 24, 1942. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, two brothers, one sister, a step-brother and two grandchildren. One son preceded him in death.

He will be buried in Auburn at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, in Roselawn Cemetery. His funeral will be at 10 a.m. Thursday in Haverstock Funeral Home, LaPorte. Friends may call at the funeral home after 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Wallace Puckett

WATERLOO — Wallace L. Puckett, 54, Route 1, Waterloo, died Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he was taken after suffering a heart attack in downtown Waterloo.

Mr. Puckett was manager of the Tour-Rest Motel on Ind. 427 south of Waterloo.

He was born July 19, 1926 in Indianapolis to the late William Oscar and Lula Bell (Beacham) Puckett. He married Lois Coe on Jan. 22, 1977 and she survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Thurmon, William and Wallace T. Puckett, all of Indianapolis; one step-son, Donald Morningstar, Waterloo; three step-daughters, Mrs. Colleen Jones, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Marilyn Puckett, Indianapolis; and Mrs. Darla Fuller, Hicksville, Ohio; One sister, Mrs. Christian Toney, Auburn; four grandchildren and eight step-grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Carlyle Funeral Home, Mooresville, Ind. Burial will be in Forest Lawn Cemetery, Mooresville, Ind.

Calling was held for Mr. Puckett Monday from 7-9 p.m. at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Friends may call at the Carlyle Funeral Home, Mooresville, after 3 p.m. today.

Howard Glass

Howard Glass, 75, 6202 CR 27, Auburn, died Saturday at 5 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He was the father of Mrs. Mary Lou LaTurner, Auburn.

Mr. Glass moved to Auburn a year ago from Anderson, Ind., where he worked as a bus driver until his retirement several years ago.

He was a member of Southern Baptist Church, Muncie; Anderson Auxiliary Police and Civil Defense.

He was born April 29, 1906 in Andeson to the late Estle and Lilly May (Ryan) Glass. His wife, Jacquelyn Davis, survives.

In addition to Mrs. LaTurner, Auburn, he is survived by two grandchildren, Brett and Andrew LaTurner, both at home; two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Maxwell, Anderson; and Miss Julia Glass, Summittville, Ind.

His funeral was held Tuesday in the Rowe and Weston Funeral Home, Anderson. Burial was in Memorial Park Cemetery, Anderson.

Son left out

William Read Jr., son of the late William R. Read Sr., was omitted as a survivor in his father's death notice Tuesday. William Read, Jr. resides in his father's LaPorte, Ind. home.

The Evening Star, May 28, 1981

Dorothy Sellers

Dorothy B. Sellers, 74, 815 E. Seventh St., Auburn, died Wednesday at 8:40 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient two days. She was in ill health the past six months.

Mrs. Sellers was a lifetime DeKalb County resident, a member of Ensley Avenue Church of Christ, and Rebekah Lodge, Auburn.

She was born April 23, 1907 in Corunna to the late Edwin and Jenny (Benjamin) Bard. She married Forrest D. Sellers in Corunna on June 20, 1926. He survives.

Also surviving are one son, James S. Sellers, Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. John (Margaret) McKinney, Churubusco; Mrs. Leo (Beverly) Laier, Sarasota, Fla.; two brothers, Howard Bard, Corunna; Robert Bard, Auburn; two sisters, Mrs. Edith Wilhelm, Waterloo; Mrs. Curtis (Mina) Hawk, Pennsylvania; and two grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Ensley Avenue Church of Christ with Dr. D.V. Dillinger, church pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, after 3 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, May 29, 1981

Helen L. Anderson

Helen L. Anderson, 70, Route 2, Kendallville, died Thursday afternoon in Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

Born Feb. 13, 1911, in Holgate, Ohio, she was the daughter of Thomas and Cora (Fairchild) Peters. She married Jack Anderson on May 28, 1929, in Auburn. He preceded her in death Feb. 17, 1976.

Mrs. Anderson had been a resident in the Kendallville area the last 13 years, moving here from Fort Wayne.

She was a retired packer for the Sherman-White Poultry Co., Fort Wayne.

Survivors include one daughter, Mrs. Bart (Vermadean) Landez, Kendallville; two sons, Jack Anderson Jr., Houston, Texas, and Keith Anderson, Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Campbell, LaOtto, and Mrs. Mildred Nickles, Iowa; one brother, George Peters, Warsaw; 20 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth W. Napier officiating.

Burial will follow in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett.

Calling is Sunday from 2 to 9 p.m.

Memorials requested

The family of Dorothy Sellers, who died Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, asks that any memorials given in her name be pledged to Ensley Avenue Church of Christ, or the church organ fund.

May 30, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, June 1, 1981

Effie L. Shanabarger

CHURUBUSCO — Effie L. Shanabarger, 81, a lifelong Churubusco resident, died Saturday at 4:55 p.m. in Sacred Heart Nursing Home, Avilla, where she had been a resident. She had been in ill health the past four months.

Mrs. Shanabarger was a past president of the American Legion's Women's Auxiliary, Churubusco. She was born in Green Township, Noble County, on April 8, 1900 to the late James and Rossett (Grawcock) Tarlton. She married Ralph G. Shanabarger Sept. 6, 1919. He preceded her in death in April 1970.

Surviving are four sons, Lee, Auburn; Morris and Lee, both of Churubusco; and Glenn, Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mrs. Lester (Grace) Keister, Albion; and Mrs. Riley (Norma) Water, Highland, Mich; 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Sheetz Funeral Home, Churubusco. Burial will be in Christian Chapel Cemetery, Merriam, Ind.

Friends may call tonight at the funeral home. Preferred memorials are to the Whitley County Heart Fund.

Flossie F. Stafford

AVILLA — Flossie F. Stafford, 92, of Dickman's Mobile Home Court, Auburn, died at 9:30 p.m. Monday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. LeRoy (Catherine) Anderson, 113 Railroad St., Avilla, following a lengthy illness.

She was born in Auburn May 8, 1889, and married Fred Stafford, who preceded her in death in April 1964.

Mrs. Stafford had resided with her daughter the past 16 months.

Surviving is another daughter, Mrs. Robert (Candice) Muhn, Royal Oaks, Mich.; two sisters, Mary Shawver of Detroit, Mich.; and Gladys Tenney, California; 10 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

A son, Robert Stafford, preceded her in death.

Services will be at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, with Rev. Robert Carmen officiating.

Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

The family requests that flowers be omitted and memorials made to the Heart Fund.

Ruth L. Summers

ALBION — Ruth L. Summers, 76, of Route 1, Albion, died Monday afternoon in Whitley County Hospital, Columbia City.

She was born in Woodburn April 20, 1905, the daughter of Joseph and Mina (Rumbaugh) Ashton. On July 31, 1926, in Fort Wayne, she married Leonard "Barney" Summers, who survives.

Mrs. Summers had lived in Albion since 1933 and was a housewife.

Surviving with her husband are two daughters, Jacquelyn Smoek, of Route 4, Albion, and Nancy Hiatt, Route 1, Albion; a son, Thomas Summers of Vista, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Leland Eicholtz, and a brother, Roy Ashton, both of Grand Rapids; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

A brother and sister preceded her in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Brazzell Funeral Home, Albion, with Rev. Thomas Wildey officiating.

Burial will be in Rehoboth Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The Evening Star, June 3, 1981

Goldie M. Weicht

Goldie M. Weicht, 77, Route 4, Auburn, died at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient two days. She had been in failing health the past two years.

A lifelong DeKalb County resident, she resided at her rural Auburn address since 1948.

Mrs. Weicht was born Dec. 17, 1903 in Wilmington Township to the late Silas Sr. and Emma (Knaval) Nodine. She married her first husband, Dallas Johnson, on Sept. 30, 1925 and he preceded her in death on March 8, 1934.

She married Albert Weicht in Waterloo on May 12, 1948. He survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Leonard Johnson, Waterloo; and Vern Johnson, Fort Wayne; three step-daughters, Mrs. Phyllis Kummer and Mrs. Carolyn Trubey, both of Waterloo; and Mrs. Doris Menges, LaGrange; two brothers, Silas Nodine, Hamilton; and Dewey Nodine, Angola; 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Four brothers preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, rural Auburn, where she attended services. Rev. Dewey Findley, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 2 p.m. Thursday. Preferred memorials are to Norris Chapel United Methodist Church or the Diabetic Association.

The Evening Star, June 4, 1981

Goldie Weicht funeral at Feller

The funeral of Goldie M. Weicht, 77, Route 4, Auburn, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

It was incorrectly reported in Wednesday's edition that the funeral would take place in Norris Chapel United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Weicht died Tuesday at 4:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient for two days. She had been in failing health the past two years.

She was a lifetime DeKalb County resident, and lived on Route 4, Auburn since 1948. She was born in Wilmington Township on Dec. 17, 1903. Her parents were the late Silas Sr. and Emma (Knaval) Nodine.

She married Dallas Johnson on Sept. 30, 1925, and he preceded her in death on March 8, 1934. She later married Albert Weicht in Waterloo on May 12, 1948. He survives.

Also surviving are a daughter, Deloris Feller, Haines City, Fla.; two sons, Verl Johnson, Fort Wayne and Leonard Johnson, Waterloo; three stepdaughters, Mrs. Doris Menges, LaGrange, and Mrs. Phyllis Kummer and Mrs. Carolyn Trubey, both of Waterloo; two brothers, Silas Nodine of Hamilton and Dewey Nodine, Angola; 16 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. Four brothers preceded her in death.

Rev. Dewey Findley, pastor of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, will officiate at her funeral. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to Norris Chapel United Methodist Church or the Diabetic Association.

June 5, 1981 No obituaries

Glen O. Farmer

AUBURN — Glen O. Farmer, 66, a retired employee of the Auburn Foundry, where he worked both as a foreman and in the tool bin, died at 4:30 a.m. today in his home, 353 W. Eleventh St., Auburn, where he had resided 15 years. He had been ill one month.

Mr. Farmer was born Jan. 15, 1915, in LaOtto, a son of Andrew O. and Lida (LaFevor) Farmer, and was married Oct. 10, 1935, to Emily LaMar, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Michael and Jon, and two daughters, Mrs. Alvin (Sandra) Brown and Mrs. Lynn (Susan) Snyder, all of Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Ella Wilson of Shelbyville, Mrs. Evelyn Pederson, in California, Mrs. Virginia Archer, Hobart, and Mrs. Mary Walters, Auburn; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Farmer was a member of the Auburn Missionary Church.

The body is at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, where friends may call after 4 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. Clinton Moser, assisted by Rev. James Larnard, officiating. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Elza Jordan

GARRETT — Elza Jordan, 85, a self-employed contractor and a lifelong resident of this community, died at 8:33 p.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Mr. Jordan, born March 26, 1896, in Noble County, the son of William A. and Mila Growcock Jordan, was married July 14, 1915, in Garrett to Carrie Haynes, who died Feb. 25.

He was a member of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, Corunna.

Surviving are six sons, Loyal of Garrett, Elza Jr., Avilla, and Robert, Don, Franklin and Dallas, all of Auburn; a daughter, Mrs. Merle (Helen) Workman, Angola, and a sister, Mrs. Velma Kennedy, Garrett.

The body is at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, where friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Services will be conducted at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, Rev. Lee Kinsey officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The church is listed for preferred memorials.

Norman Shannon

Norman M. Shannon, 69, 608 Railroad St., Auburn, died at 1:30 a.m. today in his home, where he had resided for 20 years. He had been ill for six years.

Mr. Shannon was a retired employee of Ball Brass & Aluminum Foundry. He was born July 29, 1911 in Port Arthur, Ontario, Canada to Martha (Weiser) and John Shannon. He was married Oct. 31, 1933 to Margaret Reeb, who survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Thomas (Geraldine) Reynold, Houston, Texas; two sisters, Mrs. Howard Hayes, Windsor, Canada and Mrs. William Hall, Chatham, Ontario, Canada; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. A brother preceeded him in death.

Mr. Shannon was a member of the United Methodist Church.

Calling will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Wednesday. Rev. Carl Wirey will officiate the funeral at 2 p.m. Thursday. Burial will be at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Russell Housel, former representative

GARRETT — Russell W. "Doc" Housel, 79, a retired farmer and a life-long resident of rural Garrett, died Saturday, at 1:08 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. He had been ill for two years.

Mr. Housel was born June 30, 1901 in Butler Township to Elza Elsworth and Sarah (Snider) Housel. He was married on June 12, 1929 in Auburn to Helena Korff, who survives.

Also surviving are a son, Frederick Housel, Winchester, Ind.; a daughter, Mrs. Don (Shirley) Robinson, Westerville, Ohio; a brother, Victor Housel, Route 3, Auburn; two sisters, Mrs. Hazel Warner, Auburn and Mrs. Catherine Waters, Fort Wayne; and five grandchildren.

Mr. Housel was a former Indiana State Representative, a former member of the County Council and a former trustee for Butler Township.

He was a member of the Altarstar Methodist Church, C.R. 68; the Masonic Lodge, Garrett; and the Moose, Eagles and Elks lodges in Auburn.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, with Rev. James O'Dell of the Altarstar Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetary.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Tuesday. Memorials to the donor's favorite charity are preferred.

June 9, 1981 No obituaries

Ruby B. Sheets

Mrs. Ruby B. Sheets, 75, a 17-year resident of 201 Iwo St., Auburn and a retired Tokheim employee, died Tuesday at 11:45 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital after a six-month illness.

She was born in Kansas to Catherine (Stebing) and Frank H. Daum. She married Harry Sheets, who survives, on Feb. 6, 1960.

Also surviving are a step-daughter, Mrs. Ardon Gerig, Auburn; two step-sons, Don Sheets, Indianapolis, and Warren Sheets, Pottstown, Pa.; a brother, George Daum, Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Deitsch, Montpelier, Ohio; 13 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Sheets was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, Auburn, and a member of the church's Grace Circle.

Her funeral will be Friday at 10 a.m. in St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Rev. George Schuette will officiate. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Calling for friends will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 6 p.m. Thursday.

Sarah Alice Helbert

GARRETT — Sarah Alice Helbert, 66, of 418 E. King St., Garrett, died at 9:05 p.m. Monday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Helbert was born Aug. 6, 1914 in Garrett to Maude (Ward) and C. W. West. She was married May 10, 1936 to Glenn W. Helbert, who survives.

Also surving are three sons, Glenn Jr., Garrett; James. R., Fort Wayne; and David, Garrett; one daughter, Marilyn Jeanne Smith, St. Joe; one brother, Ward West, Fort Wayne; and 13 grandchildren.

She was a member of the ladies' auxilary of the United Transportation Union.

Services will be at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville at 2 p.m. Thursday. Rev. Allen T. Reed of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will be in the Christian Union cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

The Evening Star, June 11, 1981

Ethel Irene Covert

FORT WAYNE — Ethel Irene Covert, 97, of 1104 Lake Ave., Fort Wayne, died Wednesday at 4:40 p.m. in St. Joeseph Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Covert was born on Aug. 14, 1883 to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Donahoo. She married Aral Covert, who preceded her in death.

Survivng are a daughter, Mrs. Maxine F. Johnston, Ashley; one niece, one nephew; 2 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Covert was a member of the Trinity English Lutheran Church in Fort Wayne.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday at the D.O. McComb and Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home in Fort Wayne with Rev. John E. Sjauken officiating. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne.

Calling fot friends will be today from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Preferred Memorials are to the Trinity English Lutheran Church.

The Evening Star, June 15, 1981

Mary Holman dies at age 102

BUTLER — Mary K. Holman, age 102, died Saturday at 9:30 p.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home. She was a 60-year resident of Butler, with her last residence at 305 W. Green St.

Mrs. Holman was born Jan. 6, 1879 in Leroy, Ill. to Ephriam and Phoebe (Lappin) Gilmore. She married Ray B. Holman on March 3, 1907 in Lee, Ind. He preceded her in death on Oct. 7, 1956.

Surviving are two sons, Kenneth, of Butler; and Ross, of Angola; three daughters, Mrs. Doris Hine, Waterloo; Mrs. Kathryn Hampton, Angola; and Mrs. Helen Harrington, Laconia, N.H.; a brother, Elmer Gilmore, Monon, Ind.; 19 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Jerusalem United Methodist Church and the Franklin Township Home Economics Club.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Rev. Miriam Jeffers will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today. Preferred memorials are to the Jerusalem United Methodist Church or Butler United Methodist Church.

June 16, 1981	No obituaries
June 17, 1981	No obituaries
June 18, 1981	No obituaries
June 19, 1981	No obituaries
June 20, 1981	No obituaries
June 22, 1981	No obituaries

Lida U. Dennison

GARRETT — Lida U. Dennison, 70, of 104 S. Peters Street, Garrett, died at 1 p.m. Monday in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Dennison was born Aug. 8, 1910 in Ritchie County, W.Va. to Lonie and Mida (Prather) Bee. She married Wesley E. Dennison on June 12, 1930 in Berea, W.Va.. He preceded her in death in 1974.

Survivors include three sons, Ernest Dennison, Mulberry, Fla.; Charles Dennison, Garrett; Clifford Dennison, Auburn; three daughters, Mrs. Jack (Mabeline) Snyder, Garrett; Mrs. Charles (Matilda) Burniston, Garrett; Mrs. John (Thelma) Strup, Edgerton, Ohio; one brother, Glenn Bee, New Milton, W.Va.; three sisters, Mrs. Lawrance Richards, Miss Ruth Bee and Miss Leona Bee, all of Berea, W.Va. Also surviving are 21 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Dennison was a member of the First Church of Christ in Garrett.

Calling for friends will be at McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. James Platner will officiate. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery.

Allison Friedel

Allison Michele Friedel, 7, died Thursday, June 18 in surgery after a traffic mishap. She was hit by a pick-up truck while buying ice cream from a an ice cream vendor in Bonita Springs, Fla.

Miss Friedel had been staying with her father and step-mother, Randolph and Karen Friedel, in Bonita Springs for the past two months.

She was born in Kendallville, Ind. on Feb. 15, 1974 at McCray Memorial Hospital.

Survivors include her mother and step-father, Paula and Tony Antonucci, Auburn; her father and step-mother, Randolph and Karen Friedel, Bonita Springs, Fla.; a brother, Arian Antonucci, age five months; two sisters, Jennifer Friedel, age 2; and Gina Seigel, age 13, of Garrett; and two grandmothers, Hazel Bateman, Auburn; and Evelyn Friedel, Angola.

Her grandfathers, Paul Bateman and Harold Friedel, preceded her in death.

Services will be held Thursday at 10 a.m. in the chapel of First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

The Evening Star, June 23, 1981

Letha M. McFeely

GARRETT — Letha M. McFeely, 71, originally of Route 1, Garrett, died at 3 p.m. Sunday in Mease Hospital, Dunedin, Fla. She had been a patient there for 2½ weeks.

Mrs. McFeely was living at 2902-A Dollar Lake Drive, Port Richey, Fla.

She was born Dec. 18, 1909 in Edgerton, Ohio to Cliff and Emma (Stonestreet) Burtzner. She married James McFeely, who surivies.

Also surviving are a son, James McFeely Jr., Honolulu, Hawaii; a step-daughter, Mrs. Marlene Middleton, St. Paul, Minn.; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mrs. McFeely was retired as a secretary from Midwestern Foundries in Garrett. She was a member of the Altarstar United Methodist Church, a past president of the Garrett Chamber of Commerce, past president and district director of Business and Professional Women, past chairman of the Garrett Hospital Board and a past member of the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Board.

Calling for friends will be Wednesday after 2 p.m. at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home.

Her funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home, with Rev. James O'Dell of the Altarstar United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Cloven V. Kimpel

WATERLOO — Cloven V. Kimpel, 70, of the Cedar Creek Mobile Home Park in Waterloo, died Tuesday at 6:15 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Kimpel was born Sept. 17, 1910 in Edon, Ohio to Carl and Tassey Kimpel. He was married to Dessie Katherine Taylor, who preceded him in death in 1969.

Surviving is a daughter, Mrs. Patsy Evans, Waterloo, and four grandchildren.

Mr. Kimpel is a retired employee of Cooper Tire.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. today, at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home with Rev. Bob Dexter officiating. Burial will follow in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Grazia M. Palumbo

Grazia M. Palumbo, 83, 359 W. Fifth St., Auburn, died Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in her home. She had lived in Auburn for about 40 years and had been ill for 10 years.

Mrs. Palumbo was born Aug. 31, 1897 in Italy to Oronzo and Rose (DeBelis) Insalata. She married Domenic Palumbo in Italy on June 10, 1923. He preceded her in death in 1968.

Survivors include two sons, Louie Palumbo, Pine Valley, and Vito Palumbo, Leo; two daughters, Mrs. Grace Gart, Leo, and Mrs. Rose McKimson, Troy, Mich.; 17 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church, Auburn, the American Legion Auxiliary and War Mothers.

Calling for friends will be at the Dilgard, Cline, & Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. today.

Her funeral will be at the Immaculate Conception Church at 10 a.m. Thursday with Father Jerry Konecny officiating. Burial will follow in the Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Misty Rayne Frick

WATERLOO — Graveside services for Misty Rayne Frick will be held at 5:30 p.m. Thursday in the Waterloo Cemetery with Rev. Harry Farrer officiating.

Misty was stillborn at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She was the daughter of Steven Eugene and Diane (Owsley) Frick of Waterloo.

Survivors include a brother, Eric; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Eugene Frick, Auburn; and Mr. and Mrs. Elton Owsley, Newville; great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Frick, Waterloo; Mr. and Mrs. Willis Weirich, Waterloo; and Mr. Alex Owsley, Columbus, Ohio.

Lawrence Blust

AVILLA — Lawrence L. Blust, 70, of 113 Baum St., Avilla, died at 1:40 a.m. today in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Born April 11, 1911, in Avilla, he was the son of Pius and Flora (Schucht) Blust. On Oct. 19, 1934, he married Mildred Schmidt, who survives.

Mr. Blust retired from McCray Corporation after 37 years of employment and was also a Maytag service man for Avilla Hardware.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Harry (Rose) Brumbaugh of Waterloo; three sons, John Blust, of Fort Wayne, and Thomas Blust and Paul Blust, both of Garrett; and six grandchildren.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, with Rev. Dennis Dennihan officiating.

Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery.

Friends may call Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, where Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Memorials should be directed to the Save McCray Fund.

Cecile M. Harris

Cecile M. Harris, 95, died at 8 a.m. today in the Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler, where she had been a resident for five years. She had lived on Midway Drive in Auburn for several years before going to Butler.

Mrs. Harris was born on July 17, 1885 to Hattie (Corse) and George P. Morlock in Marshall County Ind. She married Amos Harris in 1912. He preceded her in death.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Anthony (Ruth) Piccin, and Mrs. Dick (Florence) Wooley, both of Plymouth, Ind..

Mrs. Harris was a member of the First Christian Church in Auburn.

Calling for friends will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Friday.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home with Rev. Clarence Bangs officiating. Burial will follow at Roselawn Cemetery.

The Evening Star, June 26, 1981

Lottie Hoffman, 100

Lottie S. Hoffman, 100, formerly of Garrett, died Thursday at 6:15 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where she had been a resident two years.

She was born on April 21, 1881 in Iberia, Minn. to Nancy (Gillman) and Fredrick Crumlet. She was married to Orlo Hoffman, who preceded her in death in 1968.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Edna Lund, Northfield, Minn., and Mrs. Leona Heydlauff, Sanborn, Minn.

Mrs. Hoffman was a member of the Garrett United Methodist Church and the WCTU.

Calling for friends will be Sunday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. at the D.O. McComb & Sons funeral home in Auburn.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. Ronald Bowman of the Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in the Christian Union Cemetery.

Buddy E. Freed

Buddy E. Freed, 53, died Thursday morning at his home in Auburn. He had been a life-long area resident.

Mr. Freed was an office worker at Dana Corporation with 34 years of service. He was born May 6, 1928 in Corunna to Dessie (Loutzenhiser) and Voyd Freed who survive in Kendallville.

He was married to Mary Lou Maier on March 15, 1947 in Angola. She also survives.

Other survivers include two sons, Tom and Jeff Freed of Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. Kathy Lutz, Fremont, and Mrs. Cheryl Rowlison, Auburn; a brother, James Freed, West Chester, Ohio ; a sister, Mrs. Ada Schleicher, New Mexico, and eight grandchildren.

Calling for friends will be at D.O. McComb and Sons Auburn Chapel from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Monday with Rev. Clinton Moser officiating. Burial will follow in Fairfield Center Cemetery.

Myrtle M. Baughman

ASHLEY — Myrtle M. Baughman, 89, 606 S. Gonser St., Ashley, died at 10:30 p.m. Friday in Pendleton, where she was visiting a relative.

Born Nov. 21, 1891, she was the daughter of James Wilson McClellan and Clara Walborn. She married Ben Baughman in 1920. He preceded her in death in 1952.

Mrs. Baughman and her husband operated a filling station on the Steuben-DeKalb county line from 1934-1945. She then worked at Newberry's in Auburn.

Survivors include one daughter, Dorothy Harriss, Ashley; one son, Richard Madden, Fort Wayne; five grandchildren; six great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Services will be 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo. Burial will follow in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Monday at the funeral home.

June 28, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, June 30, 1981

Robert D. Rugman

Robert D. Rugman, 63, of 707 Ohio Ave., Auburn, died Monday at 10:30 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been in the hospital for two weeks and had been ill for five months.

Mr. Rugman was born March 1, 1918 in Auburn to Ralph and Gayle (Scott) Rugman. His mother survives at 201 W. Fleming St., Fort Wayne.

He was married on July, 2, 1938 in Auburn St. Mark's Lutheran Church to Jeannette Carlson. She also survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Richard (Janet) Shoudel, Garrett; and Miss Judy Rugman, Warsaw; three half-brothers, Joe Rugman, Auburn; Ralph Rugman, Garrett; and Bruce Rugman, California; four half-sisters, Mrs. Nancy Moore, Newville; Mrs. Sharon Plummer, Auburn; Mrs. Martha Geyer, Spencerville; and Mrs. Dawn Bartels, California.

Mr. Rugman retired from Warner Gear in 1976. He was a member of the St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Auburn and the Auburn Lions CLub.

Calling for friends will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern funeral home after 7 tonight and all day Wednesday. Friends may also call after 10 a.m. Thursday at St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

His funeral will be in St. Mark's Lutheran Church at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, with Rev. George Schuette officiating. Burial will follow at the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to St. Mark's Lutheran Church.

The Evening Star, July 1, 1981

Albert T. Mullen

COLDWATER, Mich. — Albert T. Mullen, 77, 14722 Iyopawa Island, Coldwater, died Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. in his home after a one-year illness. He had been in failing health for five years.

Mr. Mullen was born Jan. 31, 1904 in Philadelphia, Pa. to Mae (Cubley) and William H. Mullen. He married Alice Gaston in the First Presbyterian Church at Moorestown, N.J. on July 24, 1926.

Mr. Mullen joined his stepfather, A.H. (Bert) McInnis, in Auburn as a manufacturer's representative in 1946 and continued as a partner in that position until his retirement in 1970.

He was a member of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, DeKalb Lodge 214 F&AM, Scottish Rite Valley of Fort Wayne, and Mizpah Shrine.

Surviving are his wife, Alice; two daughters, Mrs. Peter (Jane) Kempf, Waterloo; and Mrs. Joe (Beverly) Shellenbarger, New Castle; one son, Robert G. Mullen, Yeadon, Pa.; a sister, Mrs. Verle (Kathryn) Tharpe, Muncie; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home in Auburn at 11 a.m. Friday, with Rev. Ronald Oglesbee officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Preferred memorials are to the Auburn Presbyterian Church.

July 2,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 3, 1981

Kenneth Countryman

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Kenneth C. Countryman, 85, died at 8:50 p.m. Thursday in Hicksville Community Hospital, from an apparent heart attack. He lived at 234 W. Arthur St., Hicksville.

Mr. Countryman was born May 2, 1896 in DeKalb County to Allen and Minnie (Christoffel) Countryman. He was married to Maud Lindsey on Oct. 12, 1918 in Defiance, Ohio. She preceded him in death on March 1, 1976.

Also preceding him in death were two children, a daughter, Loa Countryman and a son, Clair Countryman.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Clinton (Elva) Simons, Jonesboro, Ind.; a son, Charles Countryman, Hicksville; two sisters, Mrs. Loren (LaVera) Carey, Celina, Ohio; and Mrs. Donald E. (Edna) Miller, Butler; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Countryman was a retired farmer and school bus driver. He was a member of the West Milford Church of Christ.

Calling for friends will be Saturday after 2 p.m. and Sunday after 10:30 a.m. at the Brown Funeral Home.

His funeral will be Sunday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home, with Rev. Lloyd Turnbull of the West Milford Church of Christ officiating. Burial will be in Newville Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the West Milford Church of Christ.

The Evening Star, July 3, 1981

Oland A. Fetter

BUTLER — Oland A. Fetter, 80, died Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in his home at Route 2, Butler. He was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

Mr. Fetter was born in Edgerton, Ohio to William and Dessie (Ball) Fetter on Oct. 12, 1900. He was married to Bertha LaFevor on June 5, 1969. She survives.

Mr. Fetter was married previously to Emily Fuller and was later married to Gertrude Higley on Oct. 13, 1933. She preceded him in death on March 17, 1968.

Surving are a son, Hillis Fetter, Winter Park, Fla.; a stepson, Robert Higley, Butler; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Margaret (Peg) Bonecutter, Butler; and Mrs. Joyce Ihrie, Kendallville; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Mr. Fetter was a retired farmer. He was a member of the Butler United Methodist Church.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Johnson Funeral Home in Butler.

Sara Renae Woods

ST. JOE — Sara Renae Woods, nine-month old daughter of Jerry and Lori Woods, St. Joe, died Saturday, July 4 at 10:03 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there for one day.

She was born Oct. 8, 1980. Survivors include her parents; two sisters, Aubrey and Stacey; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Gray, Leo; and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Brouse, Fort Wayne; a paternal grandmother, Mrs. Betty Woods, Auburn; a maternal great-grandmother, Mrs. Ellen Hines, Cedarville; and paternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Woods, Kendallville.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 10 a.m. in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn. Rev. Les Martin of the Cedarville Community Church will officiate. D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Jerome Pankop

WATERLOO — Jerome R. Pankop, infant son of Danny and Darlene (Creager) Pankop, 375 N. Center St., Waterloo, died Saturday at 9:30 a.m., shortly after his birth in McCray Hospital, Kendallville.

His twin brother, Scott Allen, is surviving in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors include his parents; paternal grandparents, Virgil and Ened Pankop, Waterloo; maternal grandparents, Herman and Bett Creager, Corunna; and a great-grandmother, Mrs. Ray Musser, Waterloo.

Graveside services will be Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Fairfield Cemetery, near Corunna. Rev. Bob Dexter of the First United Methodist Church in Waterloo will officiate. Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, is in charge of arrangements.

The Evening Star, July 6, 1981

Roy Dilgard

Roy E. Dilgard, 61, formerly of Waterloo, died unexpectedly Saturday, July 4 at 3:30 a.m. in an Everett, Washington hospital. He had suffered an apparent heart attack in his home about two hours earlier.

Mr. Dilgard graduated from Waterloo High School in 1938. He joined the U.S. Navy and served in World War II, and retired from the Navy as a Chief Warrant Officer in 1960. He then entered college, earned a B.S. degree in business administration from Washington University, became a real estate broker, and opened a real estate office in Everett, Wash. He later accepted a position as a real estate instuctor at Everett Junior College, continuing at this position until his death.

Mr. Dilgard was born Aug. 12, 1919 to Carl and Imogene Dilgard of Waterloo. He married Bertha Smith of Everett, Wash. on Oct. 19, 1943. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons, David and Dana, and a a daughter, Claudia, all of Everett; one brother, Robert, Nashville, Tenn.; two sisters, Mrs. Earl (Alice) Hedges, Waterloo, and Mrs. Arthur (Sandra) Deal, Auburn; and one half-sister, Mrs. Carl (Bernadine) Grimm, Sebring, Fla. (formerly of Garrett).

His body was cremated and buried in Alderwood Manor, Wash., near his home. Greenland Funeral Home, Everett, was in charge.

July 7, 1981 No Obituaries

The Evening Star, July 8, 1981

Kevin C. Miser

WATERLOO — Services for Kevin C. Miser, 32, Waterloo, will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home. Rev. Everett Haines will officiate. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today.

Mr. Miser was killed at 9 p.m. Monday in a motorcycle accident north of Waterloo.

Man dies in crash

WATERLOO — A rural Waterloo man was killed Monday night when he lost control of his motorcycle and crashed.

DeKalb County Police said Kevin C. Miser, 32, Route 2, Waterloo, died of a broken back and neck.

Police said Miser was driving northbound on Old U.S. 27, 497 feet south of the intersection of Ind. 427 at 8:55 p.m. He went off the road on the right side, flipped over and struck a utility pole. Police said Miser was thrown forward over 93 feet into a field.

The accident also caused at least $1,000 damage to his motorcycle.

Mr. Miser was born to Carlton and Muriel (Wise) Miser, of Rosewall, New Mexico, on April 11, 1949. They survive. He was married to Kay Carper on Oct. 5, 1969. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Catrina, Carrie and Kimberlie; and two brothers, Keith, Burlington, Vermont; and Kent, of Rosewall, New Mexico.

He was employed at the Warner Gear plant in Auburn.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

July 9, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 10, 1981

Herbert H. Manon

Herbert H. Manon, 78, died at 5:50 a.m. today at his home at 504 N. Jackson Street, Auburn.

Mr. Manon was born on May 12, 1903 in Williams County, Ohio to Simon and Minnie (Kalvin) Manon. He married Pearl Freed on July 20, 1929. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, Robert Manon, Auburn; a daughter, Mrs. Roger (Janet) Imhoff, Butler; a brother, Erton Manon, Auburn; a sister, Mrs. Mildred Grant, Auburn; eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Manon was employed for 29 years by Auburn Rubber Company until he retired in 1955. He then worked for the Wearly Monument Company in Angola.

He was a member of the Auburn Church of Christ at 500 Ensley Avenue, and a member of the K of P Lodge in Auburn.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. Sunday in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the funeral home with D.V. Dillinger of the Auburn Church of Christ officiating. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Auburn Church of Christ building fund.

July 9, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 11, 1981

James Smethers

BUTLER — James W. Smethers, 67, of 417 N. Pearl St. Butler, died Thursday at 9:30 p.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home. He had been at Meadow Haven since July 3.

Mr. Smethers was born May 12, 1914 in Fort Wayne to Thomas and Elsie (Williams) Smethers. He married Edna McDonald on Dec. 23, 1969. She preceded him in death on June 20, 1980.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Vera Nye, Edgerton, Ohio; Mrs. Mary Nickels, Bryan, Ohio; and Mrs. Pamela Hornbeck, New Martinsville, W.Va.; two sons, Jim L. Smethers, South Whitley; and Dennis Smethers, Peden City, W.Va.; two step-daughters, Mrs. Helen Fuleki, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Lois Cordes, Margate, Fla.; a step-son, Harold McDonald, Butler; a brother, Arthur Smethers, Fort Wayne; two half-brothers, Walter Stickney, Hicksville, Ohio; and Norman Stickney, North Carolina; one sister, Mrs. Vera Powers, Albany, Oregon; three half-sisters, Mrs. Leota Partee, Edgerton, Ohio; Mrs. Winona Bice, Hicksville; and Mrs. Yvette Krontz, Arizona; 11 grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren and 19 step great-grandchildren.

Mr. Smethers was a retired carpenter, a member of the Butler American Legion and the Auburn Moose.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. today at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home. Rev. John Wortinger, pastor of the Butler United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

The Evening Star, July 14, 1981

Inez E. Shull

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Inez E. Shull, 86, Route 1, Hicksville, died Saturday at 6:40 p.m. in Fountain Manor Nursing Home, where she had been a resident for 10 months.

Calling for friends will be today after 9 a.m. at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville. Funeral services will be at the funeral home at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday. Burial will follow in the Scipio Cemetery in Allen County.

Preferred memorials are to the donor's choice.

Miss Shull was the daughter of William C. and Mae (Newton) Shull, a 1913 graduate of Hicksville High School, and was a schoolteacher for several years. She is survived by several nieces and nephews.

July 13, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 15, 1981

Margaret L. Lackey

Margaret L. Lackey, 60, of 409 S. Taylor Road, Garrett, died Monday, at 7 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Lackey was born in Hastings, Michigan, on September 6, 1920 to Ervin and Arvilla (Churchill) Rose. She was married to John Lackey on April 8, 1955 in Holland Michigan. He survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Wayne and Lyle Wright, Holland, Michigan, Guy Wright, Ashley; a daughter, Mrs. Alpheus (Patricia) McClellan, Garrett; four brothers, Russell Rose, Brooksville, Florida, Ervin Rose Jr. and Carl Rose, Hastings, Michigan, Larry Rose, California; two sisters, Mrs. Harriet DeLosh, Holland, Michigan, and Mrs. Betty Near, Florida; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. today at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett.

Services will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the funeral home with Rev. Allen T. Reed, of the Garrett United Presbyterian Church, officiating. Burial will follow in the Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett.

James E. Bailey

James E. Bailey, 82, Route 1 St. Joe, died this morning at 1:06 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient two weeks.

Mr. Bailey was born June 28, 1899 in Auburn to John L. and Hannis (Ferguson) Bailey. His wife Helen preceeded him in death.

Surviving are a daugher, Hannise Bailey, Route 1, St. Joe and a sister, Georgia Mohr, Route 1, St. Joe.

Mr. Bailey was a member of the Farm Bureau.

Calling will be at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville after 2 p.m. tomorrow.

Services will be at 1 p.m. Friday. Burial will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

The Evening Star, July 16, 1981

Joseph Mitchell

Joseph F. Mitchell, 87, died Wednesday at 7:45 a.m. at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home in Avilla. He had been a resident there for five years and had been ill for the past three years.

Mr. Mitchell was born Feb. 19, 1894 in Basic City, Virginia. He was a retired electrical contractor.

His wife, Mandy May (Miser), preceded him in death in 1975.

There are no known survivors.

Graveside services will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn with Rev. John Dicken of the Auburn United Methodist Church officiating.

Funeral arrangements are through the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home.

James Bailey

ST. JOE — Services for James E. Bailey, 82, Route 1, St. Joe, will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville. He died Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Bailey was a member of the Indian Village Church of God. Rev. Larry Jeffries will officiate at the services.

Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Florence B. Coffin

TAVARES, Fla. — Florence B. Coffin, 70, 1012 Clara Ave., Tavares, died Thursday, July 9. A native of Findlay, Ohio, she lived in Tavares for the past few months after leaving Auburn.

Mrs. Coffin was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Auburn. She was also a 50-year member of the Auburn Order of the Eastern Star. She had been a Red Cross Volunteer in Auburn for the past 40 years. She was a member of the Auburn Business and Professional Women and was the Nursing Supervisor for 19 years at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She is survived by her husband Oris, Tavares; two sons, Charles, Albuquerque, New Mexico; and Kenneth, Auburn; a daughter, Virginia, Walkerton, Ind.; one brother, Walter A. Byal, Auburn; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were Monday, July 13 in the Steverson Funeral Chapel with the Rev. Irvin Northcutt officiating. Burial followed in the Tavares Cemetery.

Louis Madajewski

AUBURN — Louis Madajewski, 83, 215 W. Fifth Street, Auburn, died Thursday at 10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, where he had been a resident 14 years. He had been ill three months.

He was born Aug. 4, 1897 in Calumet, Mich. to Michael and Mary Madajewski. He was married to Ruby Kessler, who preceeded him in death in 1968.

Surviving are a son, Robert Madajewski, Auburn; and three grandchildren.

Mr. Madajewski was a retired Reike employee and a member of the Trinity Lutherna Church in Auburn.

Calling for friends will be at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 5 p.m. Sunday.

Graveside services will be in Woodlawn Cemetery at 1:30 p.m. Monday with Rev. Lloyd Bickel officiating.

Preferred memorials are to the Betz Nursing Home.

David Engle

AVILLA — David A. Engle, 16, a lifelong resident of Route 2, Avilla, died Wednesday at 6:15 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there eight days.

David was born March 13, 1965 to James and Charlotte (Arnett) Engle in Kendallville. They survive.

Also surviving are a brother, Kevin, at home; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Engle, Avilla; a paternal great-grandfather, Mr. Grover Polston, Avilla; maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Arnett, Avilla; and a maternal great-grandfather, Dewey Smith, Tampa, Florida.

David had completed his sophomore year at East Noble High School.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. today at the Ark of Jesus Church, 200 S. Cowen St., Garrett.

Services will be at the church at 10:30 a.m. Sunday with Rev. Bessie Arnett officiating. Burial will follow in the Swan Cemetery.

Arrangements are through the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett. Preferred memorials are to the Ark of Jesus Church.

Albert Bender

WATERLOO — Albert M. Bender, 79, Route 1, Waterloo, died at 5 a.m. today in Cameron Hospital, Angola, where he had been a patient one week.

His wife, Mildred survives.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Elva Tess Likens

Elva Tess Likens, 79, of Auburn, died Thursday at 11:45 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there for three weeks, and had been ill for two years.

Mrs. Likens was born in Spencer, Iowa on May 27, 1902 to Charles and Bertha (Schueneman) Tess. she was married to Roy Likens in 1976. He preceded her in death in 1979.

Surviving are a brother, Alex King, Auburn; and a sister, Marie Heller, Houston, Texas.

Mrs. Likens was a retired tailor for the Bennett Company in New Haven.

Calling for friends will be at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be Monday at 10 a.m. in the funeral home, with Rev. John Dicken of the Auburn United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery.

Adam L. Smola

GARRETT — Adam L. Smola, 62, 501 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died Thursday at 6 a.m. at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there four weeks, and had been ill 20 years.

The Evening Star, July 18, 1981

Albert M. Bender

WATERLOO — Albert M. Bender, 79, Route 1, Waterloo, died Friday morning in Cameron Hospital, Angola, from injuries suffered in a farm accident last week.

He was born March 5, 1902 in DeKalb County to Frank and Susan (Shutta) Bender, and had lived at his farm for 57 years. He was married Dec. 30, 1924 in Waterloo to Mary Deitzen, who survives.

Mr. Bender was a semi-retired farmer, and a member of the DeKalb County Farm Bureau.

Surviving with the wife are four daughters, Mrs. Lawrence Trapp, Ashley; Mrs. Wayne Synesall, Waterloo; Mrs. Alvin Celina Hammon, Eloye, Ariz., and Annette Merie Chrisman, Auburn; a son, Lavon, Waterloo; three brothers, Lawrence, Lake-of-the-Woods, and John and Oscar, both of Fort Wayne; 16 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren. A sister and two half brothers preceded him in death.

Funeral services will be at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Waterloo, with Father Mathew Lange officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 2 p.m. Sunday, and the rosary will be recited at 8 p.m.

Charlotte Hartman

Charlotte Hartman, 96, died Friday at 8:25 a.m. in the Lawton Park Nursing Home, Fort Wayne.

She was born in DeKalb County on July 20, 1884 to Noah F. and Mary (Mertz) Smith. She was married to Frank C. Hartman, who died in 1948.

Mrs. Hartman was a member of the St. John's Lutheran Church, Kendallville.

Surviving are a son, Harold, Fort Wayne; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the St. John's Lutheran Church, with the Rev. Kenneth Gerike officiating. Burial will be in the Lakeview Cemetery. Friends may call at the Hite Funeral Home from 2-5 and 7-9 Sunday.

Memorials may be made to the church or to the Lutheran Hour.

Floyd Coburn

ST. JOE — Floyd J. Coburn, 92, died Monday in Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler. He had been a resident of the home for six years.

Mr. Coburn was formerly of St. Joe, where he was a lifetime resident. He was a farmer and painter.

He was born Nov. 5, 1888 to the late Wilmot and Sadie (Hildabrand) Coburn. He married Opal Miller in Spencerville on April 28, 1917. She preceded him in death in 1976.

Surviving are a son, E. Merle Coburn, St. Joe; a brother, Walter, Hebron, Ind.; a sister, Mrs. Laura Willard, Marshaltown, Iowa; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Mr. Coburn was a member of Coburn Corners Church of Christ near St. Joe.

Graveside services will be Thursday at 2 p.m. in Alton Park Cemetery, east of St. Joe. Pastor Douglas Holley will officiate.

Friends may call at Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. in Coburn Corners Church.

Ruth E. Livergood

Ruth E. Livergood, 59, of 718 Ohio Ave., Auburn, died Monday at 10:10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was born Nov. 9, 1921 in Noble County to Frank and Betha (Eberly) Fulk. She married Richard Livergood on Jan. 1, 1956 in Ari, Ind. He survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. John (Patsy) Bolinger, Wolcottville; Mrs. Sue Renfrow, Dover, Fla.; two brothers, Jesse Fulk, LaOtto; Paul Fulk, Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Claude (Velda) Sherwood, Churubusco; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Livergood was a housewife and a member of the First Christian Church of Auburn.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. Wednesday at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church of Auburn will officiate. Burial will follow in the Eel River Cemetery, Churubusco.

July 22, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 23, 1981

Charles Maloney

Charles L. Maloney, 19, a college student from Route 3, Auburn, died Wednesday in a drowning accident in Delaware, Ohio.

Mr. Maloney was a 1980 graduate of Garrett High School and was currently living at 305-4 North Roosevelt in Columbus, Ohio. He was a student at the Ohio Institute of Technology.

He was born March 28, 1962 to Paul and Yvonne (Wenker) Maloney in Fort Wayne. They survive at Route 3, Auburn.

Also surviving are four brothers, Dan Maloney, Butler; Mike Maloney, Fort Wayne; and Robert and Edward Maloney, at home; three sisters, Mrs. Steve (Patricia) Batchelder, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Joe (Sally) Halterman, Fort Wayne; and Miss Carol Maloney, Kalamazoo, Mich.; and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. Florence Schemkoetter, Columbia City.

Mr. Maloney was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

Calling for friends will be after 2 p.m. Friday at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett. Rosary services will be at the funeral home at 7 p.m. Friday.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10 a.m. in St. Joseph Catholic Church with Father Donald Isenbarger of the St. John parish in Churubusco officiating.

Burial will follow in the Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to the St. Joseph School fund.

July 22, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, July 23, 1981

Glen A. Mathen

BRYAN, Ohio — Glen A. "Bill" Mathen, 74, Route 1, Bryan, died today at 3:15 a.m. in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital. H had been a patient there two days.

Mr. Mathen was born May 9, 1907 to Samuel and Margaret (Eads) Mathen in Macon County, Ill. He was married to Helen Hissong on July 29, 1933 in Orangeville, Ind. She survives.

Also surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Richard (Glenna) Gessner, Tacoma, Wash.; Mrs. Jerry (Janet) Fenner, Bryan, Ohio; Mrs. Fred (Cathie) Schubert, Sherwood, Ohio; Mrs. Jim (Margaret) Hohenberger, Sherwood, Ohio; Miss Helena Sue Mathens, Bryan, Ohio; and Mrs. Gary (Mildred) Floor, Melborne, Ohio; two sons, Gary Mathens, Butler, Ohio; and Ted Mathens, Bryan, Ohio; 15 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Two brothers preceded him in death.

Mr. Mathens was a retired farmer, and was retired from Ney Co-op grain company.

Calling for friends will be at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville after 2 p.m. Friday and after 9 a.m. Saturday.

Services will be at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Saturday with the Rev. Jack Corn officiating. Burial will follow in Scipio Cemetery in Allen County.

The Evening Star, July 24, 1981

Harry D. Anderson

ASHLEY — Harry D. Anderson, 89, of 906 Grand St., Ashley, died at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the VA Hosital, Fort Wayne, following a two-year illness.

Born in Steuben County on March 18, 1892, he was the son of Calvin and Susan (Dodge) Anderson. His first wife, the former Bertha Johnson, preceded him in death on Dec. 16, 1954. On Sept. 8, 1962, he married Bernice Tropp, who survives.

Mr. Anderson was a retired farmer and a member of the Hudson United Methodist Church, a 40-year member of the Ashley-Hudson Lions Club and a charter member of the Ashley Grange.

Surviving with his wife are two daughters, Mrs. Marguerite Ward of Ashley and Mrs. Robert (Jean) Kuckuck of Route 1, Ashley; a son, Wendell Anderson of Lake Placid, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Robert (Mary Jane) Jones of Garrett; a stepson, Frank Tropp of Mongo; two brothers, Ezra Anderson of Route 1, Orland, and Harold Anderson of Orlando, Fla.; seven grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

A daughter, one brother and one sister preceded him in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Robert Staup officiating.

Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday.

The Evening Star, July 25, 1981

Fred Baumgarter

WATERLOO — Fred Baumgartner, 95, a former resident of 113 E. Boston St., Syracuse, and a retired farmer, died at 6:30 p.m. Friday in the Betz Nursing Home, Auburn, where he had lived the past 15 months. He had been in failing health two years.

Mr. Baumgartner was born Oct. 29, 1885, in Grandby, Mo., a son of Nicholas and Kathryn Baumgartner, and was married in 1907 to Jessie White, who preceded him in death.

He was a member of the Syracuse Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Betty Kern of Auburn, Mrs. Rachel Wilbur of Montgomery, Ala., Mrs. Dorothy Woods, Bountiful, Utah, and Mrs. Sally Conley, Syracuse; three sons, Ralph of Stewart, Fla., Richard, Deadwood, Ore., and Robert, Syracuse; 18 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife Mr. Baumgartner was preceded in death by another son.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo from 2-4 p.m. Sunday.

Graveside services will be conducted at 11 a.m. Monday in the Syracuse Cemetery.

Berniece Friend

AUBURN — Berniece Friend, Route 2, Auburn, died at 6:30 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Funeral arrangement are pending at D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel.

Berniece Friend

Berniece B. Friend, 80, Route 2, Auburn, died at 6:30 a.m. Saturday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient at the hospital one week.

Mrs. Friend was born May 6, 1901 to Charles L. and Pearl B. (Garman) Peters in DeKalb County. She was married on May 4, 1922 to Arthur M. Friend in DeKalb County. He preceded her in death.

Survivors include three sons, Donald E. Friend, Auburn; Larry D. Friend, Danville, Ill.; and Paul W. Friend, Angola; four daughters, Marcille H. Weble, Fort Wayne; Mildred E. Fisher, Avilla; Evelyn L. Ridge, Butler; and Ruth Anne Walters, Auburn; one sister, Bessie Moser, Fort Wayne; 20 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Friend was a member of Auburn First United Methodist Church. She was a Sunday School teacher at the church for several years and was active in the Rehobeth Circle and the Murial Circle. She was a member of the Friendship Grange, the Jackson Township Homemakers Club, the Jackson Township Farm Bureau, and the Order of Eastern Star in Spencerville.

Calling for friends will be at D.O. McComb & Sons Funeral Home from 2-9 p.m. today and from 1-2 p.m. Tuesday at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn. There will also be an Eastern Star memorial service at 4:30 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Her funeral will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Auburn, with Rev. John Dicken officiating. Burial will follow in Roselawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

Alta Hose

Alta C. Hose, 88, Route 1, Butler, died Sunday at 11:35 p.m. at the Meadowhaven Nursing Home, where she had resided since February.

Mrs. Hose was born September 27, 1892, in Wilmington Township, the daughter of Jacob and Roena (Treman) Farner. She resided in the Butler area all her life.

She was married December 28, 1912, in Auburn to Walter Hose, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Harold and Ralph, both of Route 1, Butler; two daughters, Viola Houser, Columbia City and Mrs. Grace Gillespie, Kendallville; 21 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren. Two children preceded Mrs. Hose in death.

She was a charter member of the Community Bible Church in Butler.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler, the Rev. Richard Minehart officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Feller Funeral Home. Rev. Bob Dexter will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Edith Geeting

WATERLOO — Edith M. Geeting, 80, died Sunday at 10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Geeting previously lived at 455 S. Oak St. Waterloo. She was the former owner of Mom & Pop's Floral Shop in Waterloo.

She was married Sept. 23, 1962 in Waterloo to Edison Geeting, who preceded her in death in 1976.

Surviving are one niece, Mrs. LaVaun Behnfeldt, Napoleon, Ohio; and three stepsons, Donald Geeting, Crooked Lake; Edison Geeting Jr., Crooked Lake; and Marvin Geeting, Fort Wayne.

She was born March 1, 1901 in DeKalb County to Solomon Berkes and Hannah (Genger) Berkes. Four brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Robert Krehl

Robert C. Krehl, 85, of Helmer died at 9:40 p.m. Sunday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Born in Helmer Nov. 4, 1895, he was the son of Charles and Anna (Engler) Krehl. On April 5, 1942, in Kendallville, he married Rosie Forker, who preceded him in death on April 10, 1968.

Mr. Krehl was a lifetime Helmer resident, farmer and veteran of World War I. He was a member of Zion Lutheran Church and American Legion.

Surviving are three nieces, Mrs. William (Mildred) Rottmiller and Mrs. Harold (Dorothy) Blech, both of Kendallville, and Mrs. Richard (Mabel) Frick of Corunna.

Two brothers preceded him in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Hite Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Kent R. Hunter officiating.

Burial will be in Zion Lutheran Church.

Visitation will be from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Memorials may be directed to the Zion Lutheran Church.

Florence Schemkoetter

Florence M. Schemkoetter, 78, died Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at Knapp Lake in Cromwell. She suffered a heart attack while visiting friends.

Mrs. Schemkoetter had been a resident of Miller's Merry Manor in Columbia City for 1½ years.

She was born May 10, 1903 in Allen County to Henry and Julia (Franke) Brudi. She was married to Ewald Schemkoetter, who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Schemkoetter worked as a bookkeeper until her retirement several years ago.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Paul (Yvonne) Maloney, Route 3, Auburn; seven grandchildren and 11 great- grandchildren.

Mrs. Schemkoetter was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Ligonier.

Calling for friends will be at the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel in Churubusco, after 12 noon on Wednesday. Rosary services will be Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the funeral home.

A Funeral Mass will be held at St. John Bosco Catholic Church in Churubusco at 10 a.m. Thursday. Father Frank Komwitter and Father Donald Isenbarger will officiate. Burial will follow in the Riverview Cemetery in Churubusco.

Floyd W. Powell

SPENCERVILLE — Floyd W. Powell, 74, a 31-year resident of Spencerville, died Monday at 10 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there since June 29.

Mr. Powell was born Sept. 23, 1906 in Roosevelt, Okla. to Nathan A. and Mattie (Stover) Powell. He married Rubye B. Hudson on Sept. 17, 1930 in Mountain View, Okla. She survives.

Also surviving are four sons, A. Dean Powell, Spencerville; Charles F. Powell, Fort Wayne; Gene Powell, Spencerville; and L. Wayne Powell, Woodburn; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Detwiler, Fort Wayne; a brother, Nathan A. Powell, Oklahoma City, Okla.; 16 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Powell retired in 1971 from Montgomery Ward in Fort Wayne and owned Powell TV service in Spencerville for the last three years. He was a member of the Hopewell United Brethren Church.

Calling will be from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at the D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel. Calling will also be at the Hopewell United Brethren Church of Auburn Wednesday from 10 a.m. Wednesday until the funeral service.

The funeral will be Wednesaday at 11 a.m. in the church, with Rev. Anderson officiating. Burial will follow in the Leo Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Hopewell United Brethren Church Building Fund.

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Phyllis J. Moran

Phyllis J. Moran, 51, a 3½-year resident of Route 1, Hudson, died Sunday at 6:40 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Moran was born to George L. and Maxine L. (Hoover) Peterson on June 5, 1930 in Fort Wayne. Her mother survives and is living in Hudson. Her husband, Frank A. Moran, survives.

Also surviving are a son, Todd Moran, Hudson; two brothers, Robert L. Peterson, Fort Wayne; and Edward W. Peterson, Fort Wayne; two sisters, Mertle DeVinney, Fort Wayne; and Jaren A. Hewitt, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Moran was the office manager for the Pine Valley Country Club. She was also a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Auburn.

Calling for friends will be at the D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Chapel in Fort Wayne from 7-9 p.m. today.

Father Richard Thompson will officiate at the private funeral services.

Preferred Memorials are to the Allen County Chapter of the American Cancer Society.

Edith Geeting

WATERLOO — Edith M. Geeting, 80, died Sunday at 10 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

Mrs. Geeting previously lived at 455 S. Oak St. Waterloo. She was the former owner of Mom & Pop's Floral Shop in Waterloo.

She was married Sept. 23, 1982 in Waterloo to Edison Geeting, who preceded her in death in 1976.

Surviving are one niece, Mrs. LaVaun Behnfeldt, Napoleon, Ohio; and three stepsons, Donald Geeting, Crooked Lake; Edison Geeting Jr., Crooked Lake; and Marvin Geeting, Fort Wayne.

She was born March 1, 1901 in DeKalb County to Solomon Berkes and Hannah (Geiger) Berkes. Four brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

She was a member of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Feller Funeral Home. Rev. Bob Dexter will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

Alta Hose

Alta C. Hose, 88, Route 1, Butler, died Sunday at 11:35 p.m. at the Meadowhaven Nursing Home, where she had resided since February.

Mrs. Hose was born September 27, 1892, in Wilmington Township, the daughter of Jacob and Roena (Treman) Farner. She resided in the Butler area all her life.

She was married December 28, 1912, in Auburn to Walter Hose, who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Harold and Ralph, both of Route 1, Butler; five daughters, Viola Houser, Columbia City and Mrs. Grace Gillespie, Kendallville; 21 grandchildren and 32 great-grandchildren. Two children preceded Mrs. Hose in death.

She was a charter member of the Community Bible Church in Butler.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler, the Rev. Richard Minehart officiating. Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Harley Cobbs

Harley A. Cobbs, 86, of Route 4, Auburn, died today at 5 a.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there five days, and had been ill for two years.

Mr. Cobbs was born Oct. 16, 1894 in Rome City to Gideon W. and Rosetta (Swanders) Cobbs. He was married in Kalamazoo, Mich. on Oct. 16, 1920 to Emma DeBuyn. His wife survives.

Also surviving are five sons, Cleo Cobbs, Goshen; Arthur Cobbs, Route 3, Auburn; Delbert, Harley and Carl Cobbs, all of Route 1, Corunna; three daughters, Mrs. Esther Andrus, St. George, Utah; Mrs. Eleanore Fee, Waterloo; and Mrs. Shirley Ely, Corunna; three brothers, Marion Cobbs, Fort Wayne; Frank Cobbs, Columbia City; and Roscoe Cobbs, Huntington; two sisters, Mrs. Erma Rusert, North Manchester; and Mrs. Goldie Martin, Huntington; 30 grandchildren and 25 great-granchildren.

One son, Jack, one grandchild and one great-grandchild preceded him in death.

Mr. Cobbs was a retired DeKalb County farmer. He had worked as a fur buyer for the last 37 years. He was a veteran of World War I, when he served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in France. He was a member of the Veterans of World War I of the U.S.A., Inc. in Kendallville. He was also a member of the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Calling for friends will be at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Funeral services will be at the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren at 1 p.m. Friday. Rev. Glenn Mulligan will officiate, assisted by Rev. Lee Kinsey. Burial will follow in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Baron baseball program or to the Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Florence Wittig

BUTLER — Florence E. Wittig, 87, died at 5 a.m. today in Meadow Haven Nursing Home, Butler. She had been a resident there for five years, and was in failing health the last seven months.

Mrs. Wittig was a lifetime resident of DeKalb County. She was born in the county on April 7, 1894 to Henry and Maggie (Thorn) Fretz. She married George Wittig on Nov. 4, 1915. He preceded her in death on March 20, 1968.

There are no immediate relatives surviving.

Her funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Maple Grove United Methodist Church. Rev. Dewey Findley will officiate.

Friends may call from 7-9 p.m. Thursday at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, and after 10 a.m. Friday at the church.

Butler pastor dies after crash

BUTLER — Rev. Guy V. Jeffers, 83, 228 W. Oak St., Butler, died Wednesday afternoon following an auto collision in Fort Wayne.

Police reported that he suffered a heart attack after getting out of his car, immediately after the collision. His death was not considered a traffic fatality.

Rev. Jeffers died in the Parkview Hospital emergency room at about 4 p.m.

The traffic mishap occurred near Glenbrook Square shopping mall. Police said Rev. Jeffers pulled from the mall parking lot into the path of another driver, who was slightly injured. Rev. Jeffers' wife, Miriam, was a passenger in his car and was not reported injured.

Rev. Jeffers was born in Anderson County, Kansas on Oct. 24, 1897. His parents were Duke and Emma (Kruse) Jeffers.

He married Miriam (Lafferty) Jeffers on July 20, 1922 in Cleveland, Ohio. They took their first pastoral assignment in 1922 at the Orange Friends Church west of Columbus, Ohio.

The Jeffers came to Butler in 1943, when he became associated with the Higley Press of Butler. Rev. Jeffers served as vice-president in production and sales.

The Jeffers served as ministers for 10 different churches in the area over the years. The churches included Hudson, Waterloo, Norris Chapel, Corunna, York, Alverado, Barker's Chapel, Concord, Jerusalem and Big Run.

The couple has no children. Survivors of Rev. Jeffers include two brothers, Charles of Akron, Ohio, and Elmer of Monroe, La.; and one sister, Mrs. Dorothy May Milton, Waterford, Ohio.

His funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Butler United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Friday.

Loren Steckley

Loren J. Steckley, 79, a resident of the DeKalb County Home, died Tuesday at 7:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Steckley was a retired farmer, formerly of Route 1, Butler. He was born Dec. 11, 1902 in DeKalb County to Francis and Rose (Beha) Steckley.

He married Velma Hughes on June 8, 1937 in Wauseon, Ohio. His wife survives at the county home. Also surviving is one sister, Mabel Pepper, Danville, Ind.

His funeral was today at 2 p.m. (Ohio time) in Krill Funeral Home, Edgerton, Ohio. Burial was in Big Run Cemetery east of Butler.

Memorials to the heart fund are preferred.

Dessie Irene Fredrick

KENDALLVILLE — Dessie Irene Frederick, 64, of 914 Villa Terrace, Kendallville, died at 4:50 p.m. Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Born in Waterloo Oct. 9, 1916, she was the daughter of Fred and Lois Mae (Snyder) Durst. On Oct. 15, 1969, she married Loyal Fredrick, who survives.

Mrs. Fredrick had resided in Auburn until moving to Kendallville 12 years ago. She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church, Wednesday morning prayer group and Mary-Amaranth Circle.

Surviving with her husband are four daughters, Mrs. Norman (Donna Jean) Ort of Pleasant Lake; Mrs. Kern (Anna Mae) Butler and Charlotte Butler, both of Auburn; and Mrs. William (Linnet) Hartman of Route 1, Corunna; 15 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

A daughter preceded her in death.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Saturday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Clinton N. Moser, retired former minister of Auburn Missionary Church, officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Memorials may be directed to the Noble County Cancer Society or the Gideon Society of Faith United Methodist Church.

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Henry Keesler

Henry C. "Hank" Keesler, 73, Route 1, Auburn, died Thursday at 12:40 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Keesler was born in St. Joe on Feb. 5, 1908 to Samuel and Caroline (Bell) Keesler. He married Pearl L. Riggs on Feb. 4, 1928. She survives.

Also survivung are a son, DeWayne "Buck" Keesler, Route 1, Auburn; three daughters, Mrs. Joy Larkin, Decatur; Mrs. Gay Herrick, Route 1, Butler; and Mrs. Glee Norden, Route 1 Avilla; one brother, Walter Keesler, St. Joe; one sister, Mrs. Doris Weiser, St. Joe; 16 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. One sister preceded him in death.

Mr. Keesler was a former employee of the Auburn-Cord-Duesenburgplant. He owned Hank's Upholstery, east of Auburn, and had been self-employed as a furniture upholsterer for the last 47 years.

Calling for friends will be at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 2 p.m. Saturday.

Services will be in the funeral home at 2 p.m. Sunday. Rev. Dean Bearman will officiate. Burial will follow in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Pre-school for the Handicapped or to the Kidney Foundation.

Colleen Barlow

Colleen Lawhead Barlow, 56, a native of Auburn, died at 12:30 a.m. Saturday, July 25 at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center in Baton Rouge, La.

Services were conducted Monday by Rev. Kenneth M. Carroll at the Walsh Funer l Home. Burial followed in the Greenoaks Lakeside Mausoleum.

She was the daughter of Kirby and Cecile (Townley) Lawhead, and was born in Auburn in 1925.

Survivors include her husband, Harmon S. Barlow, Baton Rouge; a son, Mike Barlow, Baton Rouge; four sisters, Mrs. Violet Barlow, Falls Church, Va.; Mrs. Margorie Dyer, Anderson, Ind.; Mrs. Thyra Durst, Auburn; Mrs. Loreen Butler, Corpus Christi, Texas; a brother, Atlee Lawhead, Carson City, Nev.; and two grandchildren.

Cloyce L. Loucks

Cloyce (Jake) L. Loucks, 69, Route 1 Auburn, died today at 4:13 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient 11 days. Mr. Loucks had been ill for two years.

He was born in Bloomdale, Ohio on May 6, 1912 to John and Eva (Perrin) Loucks. He married Helen Link on July 8, 1954 in Angola. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Bonnie Geisbwhite, of Florida; Beverly Smith, Albion; Pat Reid, Thorold, Ontario, Canada; one son, Dick D. White, Louisville, Ky.; one brother, Arthur Loucks, Hudson; four sisters, Leota Hill, Sturgis, Mich.; Ruth Rauh, Burr Oak, Mich.; Naomi Kern, Kendalville; and Pearl Hasselman, Hudson; six grandchildren and five great-granchildren.

Mr. Loucks retired from Dana Corporation in 1975 after 25 years service with the company. He was a member of the Indian Village Church of God.

Calling for friends will be at the D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel Saturday from 2-9 p.m. Saturday. Friends may also call at the Indian Village Church of God from 1:30 p.m. Sunday until service time.

Funeral services will be at the Indian Village Church of God at 2:30 p.m. Sunday with Rev. Larry L. Jeffries officiating. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Indian Village Church of God.

Harry Thomas

Harry Thomas, 90, formerly of West Second Street, Auburn, died Saturday at 1:15 p.m. in the Betz Nursing Home where he had been a resident eight years. Mr. Thomas had been ill for two years.

He was born Oct. 19, 1890 to Jacob and Mary (Park) Thomas. He married Hazel Dickenson on April 3, 1910. She preceeded him in death on April 1, 1980.

Survivors include three sons, Hoyte, Fort Wayne, Reynold, Garrett, Eugene, Auburn; one sister, Lulu Oberholtzer, San Jose, Cal.; 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Mr. Thomas was a retired painter and had worked for Farm Bureau for several years.

He was a member of the Jehovah Witnesses in Auburn.

Calling for friends will be at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home from 4-9 p.m. today and after 9 a.m. Tuesday.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home. Morris White will officiate. Burial will follow in the Woodlawn cemetery.

William Allgier

William Allgier, 78, 601 N. Jackson St., died at his home this morning at 6:30 a.m. He had been in failing health for several years.

Mr. Allgier was born June 3, 1903, in Cincinnati. He had resided in Auburn for the past 13 years.

He was married June 2, 1945 to Laura Richmond, who survives.

Mr. Allgier was a retired fireman for the C & O Railroad. He was a member of the Scottish Rite and was a 32nd degree Mason. He was a member of the Miami Lodge 67, F.&A.M., in Peru.

There will be no calling or services. Preferred memorials are to the Shriners' Crippled Children's Hospital.

Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home in Auburn was in charge of arrangements.

Reuben Cain

Reuben Cain, 71, Waterloo Mobile Home Park, died Saturday at 4:20 a.m. in the Colonial Crest Nursing Home in Fort Wayne where he had been a patient three months.

Mr. Cain was born March 8, 1910 in Vanderbilt, Mich. to Albert and Sara (VanEtta) Cain. He married Helen Margaret Smith on May 13, 1950. She preceeded him in death on July 7, 1980.

Survivors include five sons, Reuben, Jr., Imily City, Mich., James, San Antonio, Texas, John, Waterloo, David, Jordon, Mich., Gary, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Phyllis Wiley, Waterloo; one sister, Mrs. June McPhee, Imily City, Mich.; and 17 grandchildren.

Mr. Cain was a retired employee of Universal Tool and Stamping. He was a member of the Butler American Legion.

Calling for friends will be at the Johnson Funeral Home from 7-9 p.m. tonight.

Funeral services will be at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Tuesday. Rev. John Wortinger will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Butler cemetery.

Donna Morus

Donna Jean (Delagrange) Morus, 51, died at 6:45 p.m. Monday at her home at 514 S. Ironwood Drive, South Bend. She had been ill for a few months.

She was a graduate of Leo High School and was employed as a registered nurse at Aden Ridgedale Nursing Home in South Bend.

Mrs. Morus was born in Fort Wayne March 1, 1930, to Joseph S. Delagrange, who preceeded her in death, and Mrs. Helen (Kilfay) Delagrange, Auburn, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Tony Morus, South Bend; two brothers, Jack Delagrange, Houston, Texas and Robert Delegrange, Carmel, Ind.

Calling for friends will be at the D. O. McComb and Sons Auburn Chapel Wednesday from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Rosary services will be at the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Funeral prayers will be at the funeral home at 10:30 a.m. Thursday. The funeral Mass will be at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Immaculate Conception Church with Rev. Hank Mascotte officiating.

Burial will follow in the Catholic cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the St. Jude's Researcdh Center in Memphis Tenn.

Ronald Livergood Sr.

Ronald M. Livergood, Sr., 603 Peterson St., Auburn, died this morning at 2:30 a.m. at his home.

Mr. Livergood was a retired employee of Auburn Mobil Homes. He had lived in Auburn for nine years, the last six at the Peterson Street address.

He was born Sept. 4, 1916, the son of William and Mary (Springer) Livergood.

He was married in Albion March 4, 1955, to Paulene Mae Blair, who survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Danny and Ronald, Jr., both of Garrett, and Donald, of Dearborn, Mich.; two daughters, Barbara Gray, Auburn, and Mary Norden, Fort Wayne; one brother, Robert, Fort Wayne; one sister, Charlotte Smith, Auburn; and 11 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Friday at 10 a.m. at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home in Auburn, with burial in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4 p.m. Thursday.

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Grace Boomer

Grace Phelps Boomer, 63, died Wednesday, Aug. 5 in her home in Sun City, Arizona. She had been ill for about one year.

She was born on December 11, 1917 to Clyde and Sophia (Picker) Phelps. She married Lyman Boomer in 1939 in Toledo, Ohio. He preceeded her in death in 1972.

Mrs. Boomer was a 1936 graduate of Auburn High School.

Survivors include three children, three brothers, including John Phelps, Ashley; three sisters including Mrs. George Donaldson, Auburn, and five grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements are pending.

Mildred Hoyer

Mildred Ann Hoyer, 73, 701 Janie St., Auburn, formerly of Corunna, died this morning at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born in Hamilton Sept. 23, 1907, the daughter of Grover C. and Mary Ann (Crain) Brown. She was a member of the Helmer United Methodist Church.

Her husband, Wayne D. Hoyer, preceded her in death in 1969.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Art (Phyllis) Hall of Toledo, Ohio, and Mrs. Larry (Betty) Matthews of rural Garrett; a son, Myron Hoyer of Lafayette; a sister, Mrs. Claude (Alvada) LaRowe of LaOtto; a brother, Tim Brown of Angola; eight grandchildren and two stepgrandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Helmer United Methodist Church with Rev. Carl Lott officiating.

Burial will be in Mt. Zion Cemetery, Golden Lake.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Friday at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, and after 1 p.m. Saturday at the church.

Raymond McCann

Raymond D. McCann, 61, who served as mayor of Butler from 1960-1970, died Wednesday, at 10:45 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital where he had been a patient one week.

Mr. McCann was born March 19, 1920, in Montpelier, Ohio, to Wilbur and Olive (Krontz) McCann. He was married to Marvel Smith on Dec. 25, 1940 in Butler. She survives.

Also survinig are two sons, Jeffrey McCann, Hamilton, and Larry McCann, Edgerton, Ohio; one daughter, Mrs. Linda Singer, Fort Wayne; one brother, Robert McCann, Butler; two sisters, Mrs. Nellie Morrow, Butler, and Mrs. Willa Jean Evanoff, Fort Wayne; and four grandchildren.

Two brothers preceeded him in death.

Mr. McCann was a retired service station owner and manager. He was a member of the Calvary Chapel of Butler, Forest Lodge 239 F.&A.M. and the Butler American Legion. He served in the Pacific during World War II in the Army-Air Force Division.

Calling for friends will be at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler after 7 p.m. today and from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. and after 7 p.m. Saturday.

Masonic services will be tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services will be at the funeral home Sunday at 2 p.m. with Rev. Dennis Kutzner of Calvary Chapel officiating. Burial will follow in Roselawn cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Calvary Chapel of Butler or to the Allen County Cancer Society.

Lucy Wetzel

Lucy Wetzel, 77, 1716 Sprott St., Auburn, died Thursday, Aug. 6 at 1 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been a patient six days.

Mrs. Wetzel was born Feb. 23, 1904 to George and Minnie (Strubing) Place in Ohio. She was married to Harry Wetzel who preceeded her in death.

Survivors include one brother, Elmer Place, Fort Wayne; and one sister, Mrs. Helen Brown, Auburn.

Calling for friends will be at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home from 6-9 p.m. tonight and after 10 a.m. Saturday.

Funeral Services will be at the funeral home at 1 p.m. Saturday with Rev. Clarence Bangs officiating.

Burial will follow in the Roselawn Cemetery.

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Edward Treesh

FREMONT, Mich. — Edward O. Treesh, 75, died in the Gerber Memorial Hospital in Fremont Friday morning. He had been a resident in the Fremont Nursing Home and previously resided in the Fort Wayne area.

Survivors include his wife Lillian (Ted) Treesh and two brothers, Walter E. Treesh, Waterloo and Oliver J. Treesh, Columbia City.

Services will be held Monday at 1 p.m. (Michigan time) in Fremont.

The Evening Star, August 10, 1981

Ora Giauque

Ora L. (Bud) Giauque, 54, a former employee of the Auburn Dana plant, died Friday, July 7 in Toledo, Ohio.

He was born July 30, 1927, to Ora W. and Sarah (Snyder) Giauque in Hillsdale, Mich. He was married to Sally A. Altman who survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Michael Giauque, Peter Giauque; and two sisters, Mrs. Matelle Lanius and Alberta Giauque.

Mr. Giauque was employed as an executive with the Dana Corporation in Toledo. He lived at 2412 Brookview Drive, Toledo. He was a member of the Elks Lodge, Delta Tau Delta and St. Michael in the Hills Episcopal Church.

Funeral services will be today at 12:30 p.m. at the church with Rev. Paul E. Hannaford officiating. Burial will be in Oakgrove Cemetery, Hillsdale, Mich.

Preferred memorials are to Hillsdale College or the American Heart Association.

Correction

Raymond D. McCann, 61, who died last Wednesday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, was buried in Butler Cemetery instead of Roselawn Cemetery as was previously stated.

The Evening Star, August 11, 1981

Lennettia Bauman

Lennettia M. (Babe) Bauman, 66, died Monday at 8 a.m. in Colonial Crest Nursing Home where she had been a patient since July 31.

She was born May 5, 1915 in Noble County to Claxton and Geneva (Blaskie) Bloom. Her mother survives and is living in Albion. She married Harold Bauman on Dec. 2, 1933. He also survives.

Other survivors include one daughter, Mrs. John (Angela) Demske, Garrett; one sister, Mrs. Howard (Helen) Nodine, Kendallville, and four grandchildren.

Mrs. Bauman was a self-employed seamstress. She was a member of the St. Joseph Catholic Church in Garrett.

Calling for friends will be at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today. Rosary services will be at the funeral home at 8 p.m. tonight.

Funeral services will be at the St. Joseph Catholic Church at 10 a.m. Wednesday with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating.

Burial will follow in the Lakeview Cemetery in Kendallville.

The Evening Star, August 12, 1981

John Main

John V. Main, 78, who retired from Warner Gear after 30 years with the company, died Wednesday, Aug. 5 in Parkview Memorial Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born in Scotland to John and M.S. (Hamilton) Main.

Survivors include one son, John A. Main, Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mattie Fitch, Indianapolis, and Marsha Muzzillo, Indianapolis; a brother, Huey Main, Niagra Falls; and three sisters, Alice Gomersal, Isabel Maley and Ann Gibson all of Niagra Falls.

Mr. Main was a member of the Moose Lodge.

Funeral services were last Saturday at the St. Teresa Catholic church in Fort Wayne. Burial followed on the Methodist cemetery in Avilla. Arrangements were through D.O. McComb and Sons.

Prefered memorials are to the Bishop Luers educational fund or masses.

The Evening Star, August 13, 1981

Lennettia Bauman

GARRETT — Lennettia M. "Babe" Bauman, 66, of Garrett died Monday at Colonial Crest Nursing Home, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient since July 31.

Born in Noble County May 5, 1915, she was the daughter of Clayton and Geneva (Blaskie) Bloom. Her mother survives in Albion. She married Harold Bauman, who also survives, on Dec. 2, 1933.

Mrs. Bauman was a self-employed seamstress and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett.

Surviving with her husband and mother are a daughte,r Mrs. John (Angela) Demske of Garrett; a sister, Mrs. Howard (Helen) Nodine of Kendallville; and four grandchildren.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph Catholic Church, Garrett, with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating.

Burial was in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Pearl Leiter

LAOTTO — Pearl Edith Leiter, 95, died at 6:30 a.m. today in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla.

She was born Feb. 12, 1886, in Swan Township, Noble County, the daughter of Martin J. and Mary (Rhodenbaugh) Wood. On April 26, 1906, she married Clarence Leiter, who preceded her in death on Jan. 3, 1976.

Mrs. Leither had resided in the LaOtto community since 1906.

Surviving are five daughters, Carrie Russell and June Hadley, both of LaOtto, Mary Peduto of Shelbyville; Gladys McNabb of Garrett and Dorothy Martin of Kendallville; five sons, Glen Leiter, Robert Leiter, Cleo Leiter and Ray Leiter, all of LaOtto, and Glade Leiter of Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Oscar (Marie) Christlieb of Angola; 31 grandchildren; and 24 great-grandchildren.

A daughter, Helen Thorn, also preceded her in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Sheets Funeral Home, Churubusco, with Rev. Dean Bearman of Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla, officiating.

Burial will follow in Hooper Cemetery, south of Garrett.

Visitation will be after 4 p.m. Friday.

Preferred memorials are to the Sacred Heart Home.

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14-St. Valentine's Day
16-President's Day
22-Washington's Birthday

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13-Grandparent's Day

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21-Winter Solstice
25-Christmas
31-New Year's Eve

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Orla Woodcox

Orla Woodcox, 73, a lifelong resident of DeKalb County, died Thursday, at 4:30 a.m. in the Meadowhaven Nursing Home in Butler where he had been a resident for one year.

He was born March 12, 1908 in St. Joe to Mrs. Musie Woodcox.

There are no immediate survivors.

Calling for friends will be from 7-9 p.m. today at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler.

Funeral services will be at the funeral home at 11 a.m. with Rev. Miriam Jeffers officiating. Burial will follow in the Butler cemetery.

August 15, 1981 No obituaries

Georgia F. Rumfelt

ELKHART — Georgia F. Rumfelt, 73, 1015 Cedar St., Elkhart, died in her home Saturday morning following an extended illness.

She was the sister of Mrs. Fred (Catherine) Warren, Auburn.

Mrs. Rumfelt was born on Oct. 24, 1907 in Ligonier and married Forrest F. Rumfelt on Dec. 24, 1951. He survives.

Also surviving are two step-sons, Herman and Gene Rumfelt, both of Elkhart; four brothers, Albert and Elmo Kline, both of Elkhart; Robert Kline, Nacogdoches, Texas; and Edward Gross, Long Lake. Mich.; three sisters, Mrs. Paul (Thelmo) Anderson; Mrs. William (Alberta) Donovan, Elkhart; and Mrs. Fred (Catherine) Warren, Auburn; seven step-grandchildren and six step-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Rumfelt sponsored a chapter for the Riley Children's Hospital in Indianapolis.

Calling for friends will be from 2-4 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m. today at the Walley-Mills-Zimmerman Funeral Home in Elkhart.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the funeral home with Rev. Lawrence J. Bratton of Riverside Bible Church officiating. Burial will follow in Chapel Hills Memorial Gardens.

Preferred memorials are to the Elkhart County Cancer Society.

Glenn R. Rugg

CORUNNA — Glenn R. Rugg, 53, of Route 1, Corunna, died Saturday, Aug. 15 at his home. He had lived in Corunna two months. He was formerly a six-year resident of Otter Lake and had lived in Fort Wayne for 23 years.

Mr. Rugg was born in Mill Run, Pa. on April 28, 1928 to William and Iva (Listen) Rugg. He married Daisy Shrouer on July 23, 1948. She survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Russell Rugg, Stroh; William Rugg, Angola; Melvin Rugg, Fort Wayne; and Joe Rugg, Avilla; two daughters, Freda Davis, LaOtto; and Ruth Holland, Mansfield, Ohio; two brothers, Bert Rugg, Pennsylvania; and Jack Rugg, Stroh; two sisters, Delores Torrez, New Haven; and Ruth Jackson, Detroit, and 14 grandchildren.

Mr. Rugg was employed as a plumber for R & A Plumbing in Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel from 2-9 p.m. today. Calling will also be from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday at the Clyde-Brooks Funeral Home in Melcraft, Pa. and from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday at the Indian Creek Baptist Church in Mill Run, Pa.

Funeral services will be at the Indian Creek Baptist Church at 1 p.m. Thursday. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Bernice Strobel

GARRETT — Bernice Strobel, 92, the mother of John C. Strobel, Garrett, died Aug. 13 at her home in Terryville, Conn.

Mrs. Stobel, a native of Lublin, Poland, emigrated to America in 1906 and worked as a dress maker and designer in Bayside, N.Y. She was born Oct. 30, 1888, the daughter of Symon Berej. She was a member of the Catholic Church in Terryville.

She married John F. Strobel in Minneapolis, Minn. and Mr. Strobel preceded her in death in 1962.

Surviving are one son, John C. Strobel, Garrett; one daughter, Mrs. Searle (Laura) Lansing-Jones, Terryville, Conn.; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 8 a.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett after 5 p.m. tonight. A Rosary service for Mrs. Strobel will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the funeral home.

Beatrice B. Arrants

GARRETT — Beatrice B. Arrants, 67, 803 S. Lee St., Garrett, died in her home Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. aft r an extended illness.

Mrs. Arrants, a housewife and mother, was a former employee of Garrett Flexible Products, Inc., and of the Laura Williams Grocery Store, both of Garrett. She was a member of the Garrett Church of Christ and Order of the Eastern Star, Garrett.

She was born March 14, 1914 in Harrison, Mich., to the late John and Edith (Richard) Riggs. She married Walter Arrants in Hicksville, Ohio. He preceded her in death in 1965.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Joan) Wilson, Garrett; four brothers, John, Butler; Walter, Lowell, Mich; Charley, Blanchard, Mich.; and Clarence, Revania, Mich.; six sisters, Mrs. Francis Smith, Mrs. Viola Carey, Mrs. Bernice Wagner, and Mrs. Marie Duprey, all of Grand Rapids, Mich.; Mrs. Laura Smith, Door, Mich; and Mrs. Lillian Clark, White Cloud, Mich.; three grandchildren and one great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. James Platner of the Garrett Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to the American Cancer Society.

The Evening Star, August 19, 1981

Frances G. Thornburg

BUTLER — Frances G. Thornburg, 70, Route 2, Butler, died Tuesday at 5:15 p.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home. She had been a patient at the nursing home and area hospitals since Dec. 1980.

Mrs. Thornburg was a member of Zion Lutheran Church, Edgerton, Ohio, and was a rural Butler resident since 1946.

She was born July 27, 1911 in Defiance County, Ohio to the late Frank and Ida (Mavis) Heisler. She married Deloy Thornburg in Hicksville, Ohio on Feb. 27, 1935. He survives.

Also surviving is one brother, Russell Heisler, Hicksville.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in Zion Lutheran Church with Rev. Lanny Zup officiating. Burial will be in Six Corner Cemetery, Hicksville.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, after 1:30 p.m. Thursday.

The Evening Star, August 20, 1981

William May

GARRETT — William H. May, 82, formerly of Garrett, died Wednesday at 3:51 p.m. in Fort Wayne's Lutheran Hospital, where he had been a patient since Aug. 1. Mr. May had resided at Route 1, Pleasant Lake since 1975.

He was employed by Kammeier Trucking Co. for 21 years until his retirement in 1961. He was later a driver for the Red Cross for seven years.

A member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Angola, he was born May 5, 1899 in Ohio to the late Frank and Maude May. He married Agnes Poulain in Pennsylvania on July 29, 1919. She preceded him in death on Oct. 24, 1973.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. E.J. (Gladys) Cornewell, Pleasant Lake; two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

His funeral will be 8 a.m. Saturday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Catholic Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett after 2 p.m. Friday.

A Rosary service for Mr. May will be held at 8 p.m. Friday in the funeral home.

The Evening Star, August 21, 1981

Ethel F. Grover

ALBION — Ethel F. Grover, 81, North Webster, died at 11 p.m. Wednesday at Whitley County Hospital.

She was born February 9, 1900, to Richard and Ola (Smith) Snyder. She married Gerald Grover, who survives, in Auburn on June 30, 1918.

She was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church and the Eastern Star in Albion.

She is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Francis) Thomas and Mrs. Max (Doris) Rimmel, both of Albion, Mrs. Eugene (Jean) Coverstone of North Webster, and Mrs. Donald (Patricia) King of West Lafayette; one brother, Harold Snyder of Albion; 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Services will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Brazzell Funeral Home in Albion.

Calling is from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday at Brazzell Funeral Home.

Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery in Auburn.

Memorials may be made to St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Albion.

Glen Harris

BUTLER — Glen (Ted) Harris, 76, 407 E. Main St., Butler, died Thursday at 10:30 p.m. in Fort Wayne's Lutheran Hospital, where he had been a patient one week.

Mr. Harris, a lifelong Butler resident, was a former Butler city employee and a member of the Hicksville Eagles Lodge.

He was born in Wilmington Township July 9, 1905 to the late Charles and Ollie (Campbell) Harris. He was never married.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Miller, Butler; and Mrs. Hazel Loux, Nappanee, Ind..

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in Johnson Funeral Home, with Rev. John Wortinger, pastor of Butler United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday.

August 22, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, August 24, 1981

Robert Hablawetz

ST. JOE — Robert W. Hablawetz, 72, Route 1, St. Joe, died Saturday at 6 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient eight days.

Mr. Hablawetz was retired from Auburn Foundry and was a member of Butler United Methodist Church. He had lived at his rural St. Joe address since 1935.

He was born in Butler April 15, 1909 to the late William W. and Nettie (Nichols) Hablawetz. On Sept. 2, 1939 he married Alta Hamilton in Newville, Ind. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, J. William Hablawetz, St. Joe; one daughter, Mrs. Treva Brown, St. Joe; and four grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in Butler United Methodist Church. Officiating will be church pastor Rev. John Wortinger. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, after 2 p.m. today.

Suzanne Wood

ROCHESTER, Mich. — Suzanne Wood, 51, a native of Auburn, died Saturday at 11:30 a.m. in William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak, Mich. She had been in declining health for several months.

Mrs. Wood was a housewife and mother, residing at 4200 Herron Lane in Rochester the past 15 years. She was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Rochester.

She was born in Auburn on Jan. 21, 1930 to the late Frank and Marion (Thrush) Weathers. She married William G. Wood in 1953. He survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Joan Kinney and Sarah Wood, both of Rochester; one brother, Frank Weathers, West Palm Beach, Fla.; one sister, Mrs. Ellen Stevens, Deerfield, Ill.; and two grandchildren.

Her funeral was held today at 10 a.m. in St. Paul's United Methodist Church with Rev. Ralph Edwards officiating. Cremation followe the funeral service. William R. Potere Funeral Home, Rochester, was in charge of local arrangements.

Preferred memorials are to the Michigan Cancer Foundation.

August 25, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, August 26, 1981

Everette Allen

GARRETT — Everette Jefferson "Pop" Allen, 82, 271 S. Walsh St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 1 a.m. in Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital, where he had been a patient one week.

Mr. Allen was active in Garrett and community affairs, holding memberships in numerous organizations. He was a former member of Garrett Plan Commission, and ran unsuccessfully for mayor against John "Yip" Simon in the late 1900's.

He worked as an engineer for the B&O Railroad for many years, retiring in 1964. He was a member of Garrett VFW and American Legion; a member of Garrett Presbyterian Church; a 50-year member of Davis Lodge, F. & AM, in Kaiser, West Virginia; and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, Garrett.

A Navy veteran of World War II and member of the Seabees, he belonged to the Soribachi Square Club, a Navy organization.

He was born April 11, 1899 in Faver, Virginia to the late Henry Thomas and Lottie (Bragg) Allen. He married Sally Mitchell in Auburn on Nov. 30, 1945. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Edward S. Allen, Sacramento, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Minnie (Allen) Allen, Washington, D.C.; and Mrs. James Gaines, Alexandria, Va.; one half-brother, Walter F. Witt, Richmond, Va.; one half sister, Mrs. Russell Flippin, Huntington, W. Va.; and three grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. Allen Reed officiating. The body will be taken to the church at noon Thursday. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, Garrett, with a graveside military service.

Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, is in charge of local arrangements, but there is no calling at the funeral home.

Joseph Martens

HUDSON — Joseph V. Martens, 70, of Route 1, Hudson, Lake of the Woods, died at 6 p.m. Monday in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

He was born in Chicago on Dec. 16, 1911, the son of Vernon and Elizabeth (Phiffer) Martens. Mr. Martens was a retired employee of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Surviving are his wife, the former Edith Kerns; a daughter, Mrs. Jack (Patricia) Engle of Muncie; a son, James Martens of Fort Walton Beach, Fla.; a stepdaughter, Ailene Rowphan of Homer, Mich.; a stepson, Richard Wandrei of Panama City Beach, Fla.; 16 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Kistler Funeral Home with Rev. Merrill Hartman officiating.

Burial will be in Wright Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 2 p.m.

Memorials may be made to the Cancer Society or the charity of the donor's choice.

The Evening Star, August 26, 1981

Robert Hart

WATERLOO — Robert L. Hart, 53, 490 N. Wayne St., Waterloo, died Tuesday at 2:48 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

A Waterloo resident since 1962, he had been in ill health the past nine years.

Mr. Hart worked in the Maintenance Department at DeKalb Central Schools and was a member of Waterloo United Methodist Church. He was a 16-year Army veteran, a member of Waterloo VFW and Butler American Legion.

He was born Nov. 25, 1927 in Kendallville to Raymond and Hazel E. (Willard) Hart, Kendallville. He married Hazel Shaffer in Chicago on Jan. 7, 1962. She survives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Peggy Snyder, Auburn; Roberta and Becky Hart, both at home; four step-daughters, Mrs. Sheila Hart, and Mrs. Shelley French, both of Waterloo; Mrs. Susan Shaffer, Ashley; and Mrs. Sonja Knecht, North Manchester, Ind.

Other survivors include two brothers, Jerry and Larry Hart, both of Waterloo; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Moses, Kendallville; Mrs. Shirley Cunningham, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Helen Trooper, Pennsylvania; and ten grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter of Waterloo United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday. Waterloo VFW will hold a graveside military service for Mr. Hart.

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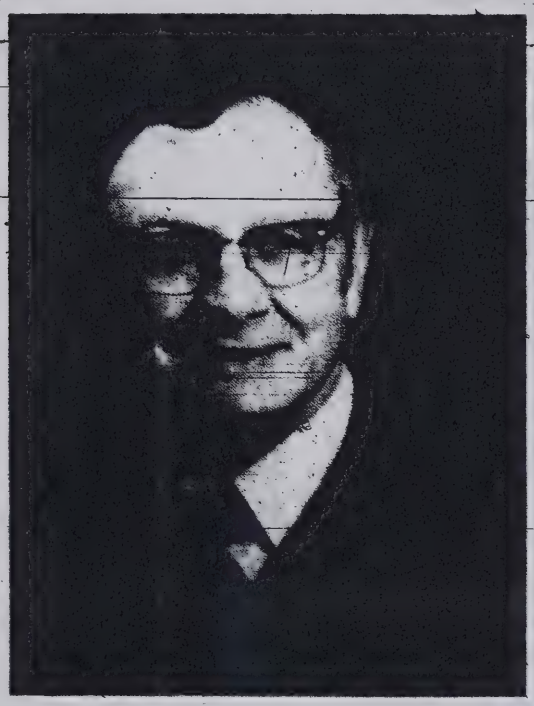
Former area pastor dies



Rev. Chester A. Doden
Former area pastor

BUTLER — Rev. Chester A. Doden, 74, a long-time pastor in Butler and Auburn, died Tuesday in University Hospital, Anna Arbor, Mich. He was in the hospital two weeks, and had been ill for four weeks.

According to details provided by his family, Rev. Doden was born Feb. 19, 1907 in Burlington, Iowa to John and Bertha (Hoelzen) Doden. He accepted Jesus Christ as his personal savior at age 12, and later, being called of God to the ministry, he attended Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, graduating in 1938. He was then ordained to the gospel ministry on Sept. 2, 1938 in Sheffield, Iowa.

On June 15, 1941 Rev. Doden was united in marriage to Margie Brown at Mt. Ayr, Ind. They had two children, Mrs. Richard (Sandra) Latham of Hoopeston, Ill. and Daryle Linn Doden of Butler. His wife and both children survive.

Rev. Doden pastored the Bible Baptist Church of Auburn and Community Bible Church of Butler. For the past seven years he had been pastor of the Haviland Baptist Church of Haviland, Ohio. One of Rev. Doden's favorite Bible verses well describes his life. "I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness..." II Timothy 4:7 & 8.

Surviving in addition to his wife and children are seven grandchildren; two brothers, Herbert Doden of Colorado and Eugene Doden of Virginia; and one sister, Mrs. Laura Phillips, Newport News, Va.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Bible Baptist Church, Auburn. Rev. Robert C. Siegrist, assistant pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Visitation will be held at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn, on Friday from 6-9 p.m. There will be calling at the Bible Baptist Church after 10:30 a.m. Saturday.

Preferred memorials are to the multiple purpose building fund for the Family Life Center of Bible Baptist Church.

The Evening Star, August 28, 1981

Ronald Rathert

FORT WAYNE — Ronald A. Rathert, 42, a native of Auburn, died Thursday in his home at 718 Columbia St., Fort Wayne. He was a resident there two weeks.

Mr. Rathert was a student at Indiana-Purdue Extension in Fort Wayne. He was a veteran of the Korean War.

He was born Aug. 27, 1939 in Auburn. His father, Stanley Rathert, Auburn, survives. Also surviving is a brother, Kenneth E. Rathert, Auburn.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 5-9 p.m. Sunday.

Marguerite Goodall

Marguerite T. Goodall, 88, formerly of 119 W. Eleventh St., Auburn, died Thursday night at 7:15 in Bryan (Ohio) Nursing Care Center. She had been ill for eight months.

She was born in New Carlisle, Ohio on May 12, 1893. She lived in on West Eleventh Street in Auburn the past 60 years.

She married George W. Goodall on June 8, 1916 in New Carlisle, Ohio. He preceded her in death in Feb. 1943. They were the owners of Goodall Lumber Company in Auburn for many years.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Howard (Lucy) Winzeler, 1119 Westfield Ave., Bryan, Ohio; three grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Auburn Presbyterian Church.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. Ronald Oglesbee of Auburn Presbyterian Church will officiate. Burial will be in New Carlisle (Ohio) Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 9 a.m. Saturday.

August 29, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, August 31, 1981

Carrie Cook

FORT WAYNE — Carrie Louise Cook, five-day old grand daughter of Paul and Rosemarie Cook, Auburn, died Sunday at 6:43 a.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born at Lutheran Hospital Aug. 25 to John and Kathleen (Snyder) Cook, Fort Wayne. They are members of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Fort Wayne.

Other survivors include a great-grandmother, Bessie Cook, Auburn; and maternal grandparents, Harold and Maxine Snyder, Fort Wayne.

Her funeral was held today in Greenlawn Memorial Park, Fort Wayne. Rev. Richard Thompson, assistant pastor of St. John's, officiated. Burial followed at the park.

Mungovan & Sons Memorial Chapel, Fort Wayne, was in charge of local arrangements.

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Helen Jordan

Helen J. Jordan, 53, Route 1, Auburn, died Sunday at 4:10 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient four weeks.

Mrs. Jordan worked as a secretary to the purchasing agent at Cooper Industrial Products, Co., Inc. for the past 19 years.

She was a member of Newville United Methodist Church, Newville. She was born June 21, 1928, in Wilmington Township, the daughter of Jay and Bertha (Platter) Ricketts.

She was married Dec. 20, 1947 to Eugene Thimlar, who died Oct. 20, 1956. On Feb. 14, 1964, she married Robert L. Jordan, who survives.

Also surviving are one son, Roger Thimlar, Route 1, Butler; one daughter, Mrs. Patricia Gibson, Route 1, Ashley; two step-sons, Robert Jordan, Jr., Garrett, and Daniel Jordan, Auburn; one brother, Howard Ricketts, Butler; and nine grandchildren. One brother and one sister preceded Mrs. Jordan in death.

She was a member of the Newville United Methodist Church and the United Methodist Women's Club.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the Newville United Methodist Church, the Rev. J.C. White officiating. Burial will be in the Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Friends may call at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, tonight from 7-9 p.m. and Tuesday from 2-9 p.m. Friends may also call at the church Wednesday from 11:30 a.m. until the time of the service.

The family requests memorials be given to the Newville United Methodist Church.

Mark Shultz

WATERLOO — Mark DuWayne Shultz, 34, Route 1, Waterloo, died Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in Fred Hutchison Cancer Research Center, Seattle, Wash. He was in failing health the past two months.

Mr. Shultz was an employee of International Harvester in Fort Wayne in the 12 years prior to his death. He was a member of First Christian Church, Auburn.

He was born Aug. 16, 1946 in Auburn to Glenn and Doris (Johnson) Shultz, Waterloo. He married Judy Hill in Waterloo March 3, 1967 and she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Tonya and Courtney Shultz, both at home; two brothers, Marion Shultz, Waterloo; and Barry Shultz, Hubbard, Ohio; two grandmothers, Mrs. Bertha Shultz, Auburn; and Mrs. Helen A. Ross, Ashley.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Clarence Bangs of First Christian Church will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Austin Myers

ALAMEDA, Calif. — Auburn native Austin Myers, 71, died Friday, Aug. 28 at his home in Alameda, Calif. after a six month illness.

Mr. Myers was a retired painter who left the Auburn area as a young man. He was born Aug. 16, 1909 to the late Michael J. and Imo (Anderson) Myers, longtime Auburn residents.

He is survived by his wife, Leona (Smith) Myers, whom he married in Nov. 1928.

Other survivors include two sons, Larry Myers, Alameda; and James Myers, Los Angeles; one daughter, Mrs. Joyce Spaulding, Hillsdale, Mich.; four brothers, Mike, Auburn; Stanley, Churubusco; Don, Angola; and John, Florida; one sister, Thelma Brinkman, Syracuse, Ind.; and five grandchildren. One sister preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 10 a.m. (Indiana time) Wednesday in Van Horne-Eagle Funeral Home, Hillsdale, Mich. Rev. Robert Marston, pastor of the Free Methodist Church of Hillsdale will officiate. Burial will be in Frontier Cemetery, Frontier, Mich.

Friends may call at the funeral home until 8 p.m. (Indiana time) Tuesday.

Stephen Johnson

CHICAGO, ILL. — Stephen I. Johnson, 82, formerly of Garrett, died Sunday at 11:15 a.m. in St. Ann Hospital, Chicago after a brief illness.

Mr. Johnson worked as a machinist for the B&O Railroad for 40 years, retiring in 1966. He was a Chicago resident the past 50 years and lived at 3055 N. Lockwood Av. there.

He was a member of Knights of Columbus, Garrett; and St. Ladislaus Catholic Church, Chicago.

He was born May 23, 1899 in Avilla to the late John and Antonia (Osowski) Johnson. He married Susie Schiffli in Garrett on June 7, 1927. She preceded him in death on May 5, 1972.

Surviving are two sister, Mrs. Angelia Kinney, Garrett; and Mrs. Bertha Wojie, Arlington Heights, Ill; one brother, Andrew Johnson, Chicago.

Funeral services for Mr. Johnson will be held 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

A Rosary service will be held at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the funeral home.

Shultz calling today

Calling hours for Mark Shultz, a rural Waterloo resident who died Saturday, are today, not Wednesday, as reported in Monday's Star. Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, after 2 p.m.

The Evening Star, September 2, 1981

Ferne Dawson

GARRETT — Ferne A. Dawson, 78, 315 S. Franklin St., Garrett, died Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient one day.

Mrs. Dawson worked for the Creek Chub Bait Co. of Garrett for 20 years, until her retirement in 1965. She was a member of First Christian Church, the Delphian Club, and the Live-Laugh-Learn Club, all of Garrett.

She was born Feb. 18, 1903 in Richland Township, DeKalb County, to the late William and Martha (DePew) Cook. She married Harvey Dawson in Garrett on March 15, 1924. He survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Don (Roberta) Jordan, Auburn; Mrs. Franklin (Beverly) Coburn, Yakima, Wash.; two sons, William Dawson, Cincinnatti; Bob Dawson, Scottsdale, Ariz.; two brothers, Sam Cook, Auburn; Paul Cook, Corunna; 24 grandchildren and 11 great- grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Friday in the First Church of Christ, Garrett, with James Platner officiating. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett after 2 p.m. Thursday.

Preferred memorials are to the church.

Marion Carlson

FORT WAYNE — Marion H. Carlson, 81, a former Garrett resident, died Monday in Healthwind Hospital, South Bend, where she had been a patient the past month.

Mrs. Carlson, a homemaker, was born in Garrett and lived there until moving to South Bend in 1957. She was a member of the Order of Eastern Star and the Presbyterian Church.

She was born Sept. 22, 1899 in Garrett to the late George and Fanye (Hart) Novinger. She married Albert Carlson in Chicago on Feb. 11, 1920. He preceded her in death in 1962.

Surviving are one brother, Carl Novinger, Auburn; and one sister, Mrs. Grace Bird, South Bend.

Private funeral services for Mrs. Carlson were held today in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of Garrett United Presbyterian Church, officiated. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Preferred memorials are to DeKalb County Cancer Society.

The Evening Star, September 3, 1981

Florence Morgan

GARRETT — Florence B. Morgan, 94, 204½ W. Houston St., Garrett, died Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Riverview Care Center, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there since Aug. 20, and had been in failing health the past year.

Mrs. Morgan was a housewife and was formerly a school teacher in the Chicago area. She lived in Garrett since 1933 and was a member of Garrett United Methodist Church. She also belonged to the auxiliary of Garrett Community Hospital.

She was born March 27, 1887 in Larwill, Ind. to the late William and Roda (Harshman) Bayman. She was married in Chicago to William T. Morgan, who preceded her in death March 4, 1954.

Surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Friday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Pastor Ronald Bowman of Garrett United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Boonville Cemetery, South Whitley, Ind.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. tonight. Preferred memorials are to Garrett United Methodist Church.

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Lemuel Creager

FREMONT - Former Auburn resident Lemuel Creager, 84, Route 2, Fremont, died early Sunday at the Cameron Hospital in Angola.

Mr. Creager was born Feb. 2, 1897, in DeKalb County, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Creager. He was a retired farmer. He was preceeded in death earlier this year by his wife Nellie.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Kenneth (Doris) Maier, Angola, Mrs. Harold (Hazel) Franks, Corunna, and Mrs. Ralph (Blanche) Boyce, Pleasant Lake; two sons, Leon, Fremont, and Eugene, Louisville, Ky.; 25 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Beams Funeral Home in Fremont, J. Glenn Radcliffe officiating. Burial will be in the Circle Hill Cemetery, Angola.

Friends may call at the funeral home today from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

Services Friday for James Wible

Funeral services for James R. Wible, who died Wednesday, Sept. 2, will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. in the Auburn First United Methodist Church.

Mr. Wible was injured in an automobile accident in Los Angeles, Calif., on Aug. 25, and died a week later. He had lived in Los Angeles for the past two months.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home after 4 p.m. Thursday, and after 10 a.m. Friday at the church. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Wible was born in Auburn May 27, 1958. He graduated from DeKalb High School in 1976, and from Western Michigan University in 1980.

He was the son of Laurence L. and Iris M. (Penland) Wible. His father survives, but his mother preceded him in death Oct. 5, 1980.

Also surviving are two brothers, David and William, both of Auburn; one sister, Carole Wheeler, Ann Arbor, Mich.; and his maternal grandmother, Mrs. William E. Penland, Auburn.

The family requests memorials be given to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate at the services.

George Ernest Meese

HAMILTON — George Ernest Meese, 74, Route 1, Hamilton, died Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, after a one week illness.

Mr. Meese retired in 1971 from Charleston Metal Products, Inc., Waterloo. He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo, and Hamilton IOOF (Odd Fellows) lodge.

He was born June 2, 1907 in Waterloo to the late Cecil and Ina (Miller) Meese. He married Roberta White in Hillsdale, Mich. on Jan. 20, 1930. She survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Pat (Cecil) Obendorf, Auburn; and Mrs. Arnold (Patricia) Leitch, Vicksburg, Mich.; one sister, Mrs. Margaret Dilley, Auburn; five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Two daughters and two brothers preceded him in death.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Friday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter of First United Methodist Church in Waterloo will officiate. Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday.

S. Ruth Swain Hitt

NAPLES, FLA. — S. Ruth Swain Hitt, 86 sister of the late Alto Swain of Auburn, died Aug. 30 in Naples, Fla., according to a family member.

Mrs. Hitt married George R. Tetzloff in Auburn, and after his death married Dr. Claude G. Hitt in Auburn's United Methodist Church. She often visited friends and relatives in the area.

She is survived by two sons, Laurence E. and Elwyn R. Tetzloff, both of Naples, Fla.

Genevieve Johnston

ASHLEY — Genevieve Ardis Johnston, 71, of 213 E. Morgan St., Ashley, died at 1 p.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

Born in Warren County on Feb. 9, 1910, she was the daughter of George B. and Bessie (Jones) Clawson. On Nov. 24, 1932, she married Harry E. Johnston, who survives.

Mrs. Johnston was a retired employee of Elmhurst Hospital, Angola. She was a member of Cedar Lake Church of Christ and Lake Gage Congregational Church Guild.

Surviving besides her husband are three sons, Robert E. Johnston of Washington, Terry G. Johnston of Richmond, and Keith L. Johnston of Hamilton; four sisters and three brothers.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Paul O'Brian officiating.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made to the Ashley Emergency Medical Service.

Alex Buzalski

ST. JOE — Alex Buzalski, 79, Route 1, St. Joe, died Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. in St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient three weeks.

Mr. Buzalski worked as a furniture upholsterer in the St. Joe area, where he was a resident the past nine years. Prior to that, he operated his own mechanic shop in the South Bend, Ind. area. He was a member of Jehovah's Witnesses, Antwerp, Ohio.

He was born Nov. 12, 1901 in Rolling Prarie, Ind. to the late Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Buzalski. He married Virginia Ulm in St. Joe on Oct. 10, 1970. She survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Eugenia Mesarik, South Bend; one sister, Mrs. Stella Barwig, Salem, Ore.; one half-brother, Stanley Buzalski, South Bend; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Donald Brunner, speaker of Jehovah's Witnesses, Antwerp, will officiate. Burial will be in Forest Home Cemetery, Hicksville, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

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Zelma Houser

BUTLER — Zelma E. Houser, 88, 128 W. Willow St., Butler, died Thursday at 10:25 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient there 12 days.

Born in Waterloo on Nov. 4, 1892 to Oscar and Addie (Frick) Miser, Mrs. Houser was a lifelong resident of DeKalb County.

She married Russell Houser on March 19, 1911. He died May 4, 1953. A son, Wayne, also preceded her in death.

Survivors include two sons: Caroll Houser and Junior Houser, both of Butler; a daughter, Mrs. Ruth Bowman, Butler; two brothers, Millard Miser, Montpelier, Ohio and Kermit Miser, Detroit; a sister, Mrs. Virginia Starr, Montpelier, Ohio; 14 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Mount Pleasant United Methodist Church.

Services will be held Sunday at 1:30 p.m. in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Burial will be in the Butler Cemetery.

September 12, 1981 No obituaries

Iva Boren

Iva Boren, a longtime resident of Auburn, died Sunday night in Betz Nursing Home.

She was for many years an employee of The Evening Star.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, and will be announced in Tuesday's edition of The Evening Star.

Avajean K. Zeedyk

CHURUBUSCO — Avajean K. Zeedyk, 91, died Sunday at 10:10 p.m. in the Alfran Nursing Home, Columbia City. She had been in failing health the past two years.

Born in Fort Wayne Dec. 7, 1889, she was the daughter of Frank and Mary (McDaniel) Kincade. She married Neil Zeedyk April 5, 1927, in Fort Wayne. He preceded her in death Oct. 17, 1968.

Mrs. Zeedyk had lived most of her life in Kendallville, moving to Churubusco 11 years ago. She was a member of Faith United Methodist Church.

Surviving are two sons, Calvin Zeedyk of Route 3, Churubusco, and Donald Zeedyk of Kendallville; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Krider-Workman Memorial Chapel in Churubusco with Rev. William Claxton officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Visitation will be from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

Beverly Baker

Beverly JoAnne Baker, 50, 1804 Old Buck Road, Hampton, Va., died Friday at 10:49 p.m. at the Riverside Hospital in Hampton.

Mrs. Baker was born Jan. 22, 1931, in Auburn, and graduated from Auburn High School in 1949.

She had resided in Virginia the past two years, and was a former employee of the Tennaco Convenience Market in Newport News, Va.

Survivors include her mother, Mrs. Hilda Campbell, 220 E. Sixth St., Auburn; one daughter, Mrs. Melody Layne Dumire, Hampton, Va.; one sister, Mrs. Larry (Betty Lou) Stomm, Auburn; and one grandchild. Mrs. Baker was preceded in death by her father, Wilbert Campbell.

She was a member of the Parents Without Partners chapter in Hampton, Va.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home, with D.V. Dillinger, minister of the Auburn Church of Christ, officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday. Preferred memorials are to the Auburn Church of Christ.

Melvin Riser

BUTLER — Melvin E. Riser, 64, 619 E. Main St., Butler, died early this morning in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since May 12.

Mr. Riser was employed in the maintenance department at Bohn Aluminum & Brass Co., Butler, for several years prior to his death. He was a member of Calvary Chapel, Butler; Forest Lodge, F&AM; and the American Legion in Butler.

He was born March 31, 1917 at his East Main Street address to the late Oliver and Stella (Gaff) Riser. He married Betty Ann Gillean in Butler on Dec. 28, 1939. His wife survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Jacqueline Goller, Butler; one son, Douglas Riser, St. Louis, Mo.; and four grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 1 p.m. Thursday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Arrangements for a minister are pending. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery, with military graveside services.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday. A Masonic memorial service for Mr. Riser will be held at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral home.

Hazel Baltz

ST. JOE — Hazel M. Baltz, 86, Route 1, St. Joe, died Monday at 10:30 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been taken to the hospital Monday from Meadowhaven Nursing Home, Butler, where she was a resident the past six weeks.

Mrs. Baltz was a former employee of Sechler's Pickles, St. Joe, and was a housewife. She was born July 17, 1895 in Hicksville, Ohio to the late William and Mary (Houser) Henly.

She married Grant Baltz on July 16, 1926 in Adrian, Mich. He survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Ila Coburn, St. Joe; one brother, Rollie Henly, Toledo, Ohio; a half-sister, Eunice Perks, Newark, Ohio; six grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great grandchild. One son, Frank Monroe, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in Baldinger-Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville. Dennis King of St. Joe Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Preferred memorials are to DeKalb County Heart Fund.

Iva M. Boren

Iva M. Boren, 82, formerly of 608 N. Clark St., Auburn, died Sunday at 4:55 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home.

Mrs. Boren was a typesetter for the Auburn Printing Company for 45 years. She was born June 20, 1899 in rural Auburn to Laura (Pugsley) and Wilbert Lutz. She married John Boren in June 1918 and he died in Nov. 1918.

Surviving are one sister, Mrs. Helen Osbun, Phoenix, Ariz., and many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Boren was a member of the First Christian Church of Auburn.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Rev. Clarence Bangs, pastor of First Christian Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. today. Memorials to the First Christian Church are preferred.

Leila Thomas

LIGONIER — Leila Thomas, 82, former Auburn resident, died at 8 p.m. Monday in the Tomah Health Center, Tomah, Wis. She had been ill 8 years.

Born Sept. 25, 1898, in Ligonier, she was the daughter of Lee and Lillie (Bartley) Febles.

Surviving are a son, Dr. Richard Thomas of Fort Lyon, Colo.; a brother, Beryle Febles of Cree Lake, Kendallville; two half-brothers, Jack and George Febles, both of California; and two grandsons.

Graveside services will be at 1:30 p.m. Friday in the Wolf Lake Cemetery with Rev. William Sexton of Pontiac, Ill., Presbyterian Church officiating.

The Ulrey Funeral Home, Ligonier, is in charge of local arrangements.

Dr. Pierre Talbert

BLUFFTON — Dr. Pierre C. Talbert, an Auburn native who was chief surgeon at Caylor-Nickel Clinic in Bluffton, died Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in St. Vincent's Hospital, Indianapolis. Dr. Talbert had been a patient at the hospital since Sept. 9.

His parents, Glenn L. and Alma (Lindsey) Talbert, Auburn, survive. Dr. Talbert began his association with Caylor-Nickel Clinic in 1952. He is an Auburn High School graduate, a 1944 graduate of Indiana University Medical School, and attended graduate school at the University of Pennyslvania.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church, Bluffton. Dr. Talbet was also a member of numerous medical organizations in the Bluffton area.

In addition to his surgical duties, he was chairman of the medical board of directors at Caylor-Nickel Clinic.

He was born in Auburn Dec. 13, 1920 and married Paula Hakey in Bluffton on Jan. 3, 1953. She survives.

Also surviving are four sons, Pierre C. Talbert, Jr. Chicago; Charles S. Talbert, Jefferson City, Mo.; Glenn T. Talbert, Thomasville, Ga.; and John Thompson, Fort Wayne; and one grandchild.

His funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday in Thoma-Rich Funeral Home, Bluffton. Rev. Charles Lane, pastor of First United Methodsit Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery, Bluffton.

Calling will be at the funeral home after 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Preferred memorials are to the Caylor-Nickel Research Foundation.

Grace Jordan

AVILLA — Grace M. Jordan, 87, a long-time Avilla resident, died Tuesday at 1:20 p.m. in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville. She had been a patient there since Sept. 9.

Mrs. Jordan was a homemaker, and lived most of her life at Route 2, Avilla. For the past few months, she lived on C.R. 68, Spencerville in DeKalb County.

She was born in LaOtto on Sept. 30, 1893 to George and Matilda (Sands) Bilger. She married Leslie Jordan in Albion on Feb. 14, 1920. He died July 14, 1961.

Surviving are two sons, Kenneth, LaOtto and Arthur, Fort Wayne; four daughters, Mrs. James (Ruth) Johnston, Mrs. Merle (Dora) Jackson and Mrs. James (Jean) Hoeffel, all of Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Raymond (Mary) Foltz, Spencerville; two brothers, Ralph Bilger, Fort Wayne; and Virgil Bilger, Mission Viejo, Calif.; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church, Avilla.

Her funeral will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Rev. Alfred Beal will officiate, assisted by Rev. James Price. Burial will be in Swan Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Thursday. Memorials to Calvary United Methodist Church are preferred.

Alice E. Speer

Alice E. Speer, 77, Wesley Park Apartments, Auburn, died Monday at 9:30 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been hospitalized for one week.

Mrs. Speer was a former employee of DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was born in Council Bluffs, Iowa, on Aug. 29, 1904 to John and Maude (Moon) Webster.

She married Trevor Speer in Auburn on Dec. 25, 1923. He died in Dec. 1968.

Surviving are two sons, Dorsey of Auburn and Leland of Garrett; two daughters, Mrs. Marma Rodebaugh, Garrett; and Mrs. Joe (Dolen) Dube, Fort Wayne; a sister, Mrs. Florence T. Toinbee, Omaha, Neb.; 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of the Auburn First United Methodist Church.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 10 a.m. in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 4:30 p.m. today.

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Gertrude Gael

Services for Gertrude A. Gael, 57, of Route 1, Ashley, who was killed in a single-vehicle accident northeast of Kendallville Tuesday night, will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn. Officiating will be Rev. Lloyd Bickel, with burial in Zion Lutheran Cemetery.

Born in Holgate, Ohio, on Feb. 10, 1924, she was the daughter of William A. and Sadie (McCallister) Hauck. On June 19, 1943, she married Richard J. Gael, who preceded her in death in May 1978.

Mrs. Gael was a member of Trinity Lutheran Church, Auburn, its Ladies Aid Society, and the Lutheran Women's Missionary League; and was a volunteer for DeKalb County Hospice of Hope.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Curtis (Anna Maria) Hartman of Garrett and Mrs. Garry (Elizabeth) Carper of Ashley; three sons, Art Gael of Marion, Alan Gael of Fort Wayne, and Marvin Gael of Butler; a sister, Mrs. Howard (Beatrice) Best of Tice, Fla.; two brothers, William F. Hauck of Tice and Raymond Hauck of Garrett; and eight grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Hite Funeral Home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday.

Memorials should be directed to the DeKalb County Hospice of Hope, Trinity Lutheran Church or Prince of Peace Lutheran Church.

Gertrude Leckrone

PIERCETON, Ind. — Gertrude Irene Leckrone, 63, mother of Mrs. Edward (Patricia) Hughes, Auburn, died Wednesday at 4 p.m. in her home at Route 1, Pierceton. She was a homemaker and a lifelong Pierceton area resident.

Mrs. Leckrone was active in her church, the Packerton Freewill Baptist Church, Packerton, Ind. She was past president of the church's Lady's Circle; and was "Mother of the Year" in 1980.

She also belonged to the Kosciusko County Diabetes Association; Pierceton Senior Citizens; the Cancer and Heart Associations of Kosciusko County; and was a volunteer for Indiana State School and Training Center, Fort Wayne.

She was born July 28, 1981 in Culver, Ind. to the late Ernest and Geneva (Grimes) Humes. She married Keith Leckrone on April 1, 1937. He preceded her in death in 1977.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Edward (Patricia) Hughes, Auburn; Mrs. Phillip (Diana) Albert, Pierceton; Mrs. Lynvall (Martha) Thomas, Warsaw; and Mrs. Thomas (Janet) Witman, Elkhart; two sons, Keith Leckrone, Jr., Goshen; and Charles E. Leckrone, Sevansburg, Kan.

Also surviving are three brothers and three sisters; 19 grandchildren and three great-great grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday in the Packerton Freewill Baptist Church with Rev. Chad Burkhart officiating. Burial will be in Spring Creek Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Wyman Funeral Home, Pierceton, from 2-5 and 7-9 tonight and after 12 noon on Saturday at the church.

Kathleen Smith

BUTLER — Kathleen R. Smith, 67, Route 1, Butler, died Thursday at 4:30 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Smith was secretary-treasurer of the Hendrickson Tandem Corporation in Butler for 19 years, retiring in 1972.

She was born Dec. 16, 1913 in Kendallville to Walter D. and Exie F. (Mollenhour) Creager. Her mother survives at Route 1, Butler. She married Walter M. Smith on Aug. 22, 1937 in Butler. Her husband also survives.

Additional survivors include two sons, John Martin Smith, Auburn; and Rev. Charles Smith, Centreville, Mich.; one daughter, Mrs. Julie Hunter, Miami Shores, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Mrs. Smith was a member of Butler United Methodist Church, and the United Methodist Women. She was a former member of the Butler School Board, and was its secretary from 1954-58. She was a past Worthy Matron of the Butler Eastern Star.

Her funeral will be in Butler United Methodist Church at 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Rev. John Wortinger will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 2 p.m. Saturday, and at the church after 12 noon Sunday. Memorials to the Butler United Methodist Church or Centreville (Mich.) United Methodist Church are preferred.

Mabel Steckley

MESA, Ariz. — Mabel Steckley, 80, a former Auburn resident, died Thursday in Mesa, Ariz.

She was born in Auburn on Oct. 21, 1900 to Mr. and Mrs. Levi Wolff. She married Howard Steckley in 1917, and he died in 1969.

Surviving are a sister, Mrs. Myrtle Beaty, Auburn; a daughter, Mrs. Bert (Betty) Vogt, Mesa, Ariz.; and two grandsons.

Her funeral will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Melcher Mortuary, Mesa, Ariz. Burial will be in Mountainview Memorial Gardens at Mesa.

Irene Neely

PLEASANT LAKE — Irene A. Neely, 82, Route 1, Pleasant Lake, died at 1:40 p.m. Thursday in McCray Hospital, Kendallville, where she had been a patient three days.

A homemaker and mother, Mrs. Neely was born Dec. 5, 1898 in Coldwater, Mich. to the late Frank and Jennie Jones. She married Ralph R. Neely in Cement City, Mich. on Sept. 26, 1919. Mr. Neely preceded her in death in 1972.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Lucille Fender, Waterloo; Mrs. Anna Bell Baughman, Pleasant Lake; Mrs. Mrs. Bertha Covey, Butler; Ella Mae Powell, Beaverton, Mich.; and Mrs. Eva Haviland, LaMar, Ark.; one son, Ernest Neely, Antwerp, Ohio; 32 grandchildren, 76 great-grandchildren and 50 great-great grandchildren. Two brothers preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 1 p.m. Sunday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Bob Dexter, pastor of First United Methodist Church, Waterloo, will officiate. Burial will be in Maumee Cemetery, Antwerp, Ohio.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Saturday.

Garnel Handshoe

GARRETT — Garnel (Tom) Handshoe, 47, 1111 South Road, Garrett, died Thursday in Michigan City Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Handshoe worked at Phillips Industrial in Albion.

He was born Feb. 4, 1934 in Floyd County, Kentucky to Crit and Maggie (Bradley) Handshoe. His mother survives in Garrett.

Also surviving are a son, Garnel Jr., Kendallville; one daughter, Mrs. Jack (Rose) Gonzer, Goshen; three brothers, Arnold, Kendallville; Garmen, Fort Wayne; and Pard, Waveland, Miss.; seven sisters, Mrs. Jon (Antha) Bailey, Garrett; Mrs. Robert (Edith) Cook, Albion; Mrs. Benny (Dorothy) Conley, LaOtto; Glenna Long, LaOtto; Julie Conley, Kendallville; Mrs. LeRoy (Delphia) Miller, Wawaka; and Mrs. Charlie (Ruth) Bailey, Ray, Mich.; and three grandchildren.

His funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Old Regular Baptist Church, Lisbon. Rev. Junior Mosley will officiate. Burial will be in

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Funeral time changed

GARRETT — Funeral services for Garnel (Tom) Handshoe, 1111 South Road, Garrett, will be at 11:30 a.m. Monday in Old Regular Baptist Church, Lisbon.

The time has been changed from the original announcement.

Mr. Handshoe, age 47, died Thursday in Michigan City Memorial Hospital.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Paul Fetters

ST. JOE — Paul C. Fetters, 73, Route 1, Box 230, St. Joe, died early today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 10, 1908, in DeKalb County, he was the son of Jay and Birdie (Carper) Fetters. He married Ellen White Jan. 1, 1931, in St. Joe. She survives.

Mr. Fetters was a lifetime resident of St. Joe and was active in the K. of P. Lodge, the St. Joe Conservation Club, and the DeKalb County Council On Aging.

He was a retired Dana employee and was self-employed in a bulldozing business.

Other survivors, in addition to his wife, are two daughters, Ruth Hart, Antwerp, Ohio, and Esther Opdycke, Pasadina, N.Y.; two sons, Ervin Fetters, Wawaka, and Arnold Fetters, St. Joe; one sister, Dorothy Warstler, Auburn; 11 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 2 p.m. in the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spenserville with Rev. Richard E. Evans officiating.

Burial will be in Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Call is at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

The family requests memorials be made to the heart fund.

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Jack Houser

Jack D. Houser, 57, a life-long Butler resident, died Monday at 1 p.m. at Parkview Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been a patient there for two weeks, and had been ill for two years.

Mr. Houser was born Dec. 13, 1923 in Wilmington Township to Glenn and Reva (Houtz) Houser. He married Iris Best May 15, 1943 in Newville. She survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Ronald and Rick, Route 1, Butler; and Randy, of Butler; one sister, Mrs. Maxine Heffley, Waterloo, and four grandchildren.

Mr. Houser was a farmer, and had worked for the Rieke Corporation from 1965 to 1979. He was a member of the Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church in rural Butler.

There will be no calling. Private grave-side services will be held in the Woodlawn Cemetary at 10 a.m. Wednesday and Reverend Bob Dexter of the First United Methodist Church will officiate. Preferred memorials are to the Waterloo United Methodist Church or DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Amos Blythe

ROBINSON, Ill. — Amos Blythe, 77, Robinson, Ill., formerly of East Chicago, Ind., died Saturday afternoon in Terre Haute (Ind.) Regional Hospital.

He was the step-father of Mrs. Jack (Joyce) Wagner, Auburn, who survives.

Mr. Blythe was a refinery worker for St. Clair Oil Refinery until his retirement in 1966. His wife, Dale, preceded him in death in 1978.

Also surviving are one son, James, Merrillville, Ind.; one daughter, Mrs. William (Betty) Steinman, Coldwater, Mich.; 14 grandchildren; four brothers and three sisters.

His funeral was at 2 p.m. today in Buchanan Funeral Home, Robinson, Ill. Burial was in nearby Oak Grove Cemetery.

Edith Stansbury

GARRETT — Edith M. Stansbury, 68, 805 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died Monday at 6:20 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had been a resident at Betz since May 19, 1980.

Mrs. Stansbury worked a number of years at a former Garrett Chevrolet dealership run by her husband, Cecil Stansbury, whom she married on May 13, 1930. He preceded her in death on May 12, 1974.

She was born Dec. 17, 1912 in Kendallville to the late Noah and Johanna (Bleck) Kline.

Surviving are two sisters, Mrs. Agnes Parrett, Auburn; and Mrs. Luther (Thelma) Whetsel, Waterloo. One sister, Georgia Scott, preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Officiating will be Rev. Allen T. Reed, pastor of Garrett United Presbyterian Church, where she was a member. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Ira A. Tracey

HUDSON — Ira A. Tracey, 78, of Route 1, Ashley, died at 4:30 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn, following a lengthy illness.

He was born in Wells County Jan. 19, 1903, the son of David and Mary (Cornewall) Tracey. On July 6, 1929, in Auburn, he married Dorothy Freed, who preceded him in death.

Mr. Tracey was employed as a coal hauler.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. William (Marilyn) Noll of Route 1, Angola, Mrs. Pat (Sondra) Tompkins of Route 2, Hudson, and Mrs. Guy (Lynda) Lepley of Hudson; four sons, James E. Tracey of Route 1, Angola, Richard D. Tracey of Leo, Raymond R. Tracey of Waterloo, and Lynn Tracey of Route 1, Wolcottville; a sister, Mrs. Clyde (Marjie) McClish of Columbus, Ohio; 24 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

A son also preceded Mr. Tracey in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Thursday in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Robert Staup officiating.

Burial will be in Circle Cemetery, Hudson.

Friends may call at the funeral home after [illegible]

Memorials may be directed to the Heart Association.

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E. Dean Rowe

FREMONT — E. Dean Rowe, 31, Route 1, Fremont, died Monday. He was a machinist at Auburn Dana's Corporation.

An Auburn native, Mr. Rowe is survived by his wife, Patricia Rowe, Fremont; two sons, Christopher and Jamie Dean Rowe, both at home; and Jenifer Sue Rowe, also at home.

He was born Dec. 30, 1949 in Auburn to Herbert Glenn and Olabelle (Boyd) Rowe. His mother, now Mrs. Olabelle Hannah, survives.

He is also survived by five brothers, Don, LaOtto; Herbert, Chesterton; Ind.; Laurel, Wolcottville; Clair, Bryan, Ohio; and Larry, Holiday, Fla; four sisters, Mrs. Eza Crawford, Butler; Mrs. Ann Trammell, New Haven; Mrs. Barbara Arnold, Fort Wayne; and Mrs. Bonnie Spillane, Toledo, Ohio.

A memorial service for Mr. Rowe will be held 1 p.m. Thursday at the Angola First United Methodist Church, with pastor Dr. Al Kundenreich officiating. Burial will be in Lakeside Cemetery, Fremont.

Bridget Jo Botteron

Bridget Jo Botteron was stillborn Tuesday morning in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was the daughter of Chris and Jodie (Frye) Botteron, 809 Midway Drive, Auburn.

Also surviving are maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Frye, Auburn; paternal grandparents, James Botteron, Kendallville and Linda Fremion, Lake of the Woods; maternal great-grandparents, Mrs. Helen (Flora) Gripe, Nakomis, Fla. and Mrs. Doris Frye, North Manchester; and paternal great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garber, Fort Wayne.

Graveside services will be held Friday at 11 a.m. in Roselawn Cemetery. Rev. George Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. D.O McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Opal P. Heffley

Opal P. Heffley, 67, Route 1, Auburn, died Wednesday at 4:20 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was in ill health the past six years and a patient at the hospital a few days.

Mrs. Heffley was manager of Home Quality Markets of Garrett from 1963 until its closing in 1970. She resided at her rural Auburn address the past 25 years.

She was born Feb. 4, 1914 in Spencerville to the late Lawrence and Mina (Ferral) Priddy. Her husband, Max E. Heffley, preceded her in death in 1972.

Surviving are one son, Timothy S. Heffley, Auburn; and one daughter, Mrs. Joy Shuff, Garrett.

Also surviving are three brothers, Kenneth and Lloyd Priddy, both of Nashville, Mich.; and Bruce Priddy, Charlotte, Mich.; three sisters, Mrs. Bulah Flory, Barryton, Mich; Mrs. Dorothy Fredline, Curren, Mich; and Mrs. Ruth Kimes, Fort Smith, Ark.; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Rev. Dewey Finley, pastor of Norris Chapel United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Cancer Society.

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Clyde Northup

HUDSON — Clyde E. Northup, 88, of Route 1, Hudson, died at 5 p.m. Thursday in the Cameron Hospital, Angola.

Born Aug. 17, 1893, in Payne, Ohio, he was the son of Andrew J. and Julia Northup. On Jan. 6, 1938, he married Juanita Schoenauer, who survives.

Surviving besides his wife are four daughters, Mildred Myers of LaGrange, Wilma Wilder of Auburn, and Mrs. Samuel (Kathryn) Wilder and Mrs. Louis (Linda) Howdyshell, both of Hudson; five sons, Garold Northup of Howe, Harold Northup of Kendallville, Roger Northup and Kenneth Northup, both of LaGrange, and Floyd Northup of Hudson; a sister, Esther Sautter of Niles, Mich.; 32 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

Funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Frurip-May Funeral Home, LaGrange with Rev. Paul Register of the Stroh Church of God officiating.

Burial will be in East Springfield Cemetery.

Visitation will be after 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home.

Rachel Harding

AUBURN — Rachel P. Harding, 87, a retired school teacher and college housemother who resided in the Westley Park Apartments, Auburn, died at 10:35 a.m. Friday in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient one week.

She was born June 12, 1894, in Jackson Township, DeKalb County, a daughter of Lucien and Sarah Anne (Moore) Provines, and was a teacher in Jackson Township and Baltimore, Md., and a housemother at Grinnell College, Grinnell, Iowa, and Albion College, Albion, Mich., before retiring.

Mrs. Harding, a graduate of both Tri-State College and Chicago Normal School of Physical Education, was married Sept. 16, 1927, in Chicago to Ray L. Harding, who died in 1951.

Surviving are a sister, Edith Hyndman, Bloomington, and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Harding was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Entre Nous Library Club, the DeKalb County Historical Society; the DeKalb Memorial Hospital Guild, of which she was a life member; and the Auburn Automotive Heritage, of which she was a charter member.

She also was an American War Mother and a past officer of the DeKalb Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Harding was preceded in death in addition to the husband by a son, Tom L. Provines; two brothers, Jesse and Kent Provines, and two sisters, Isa and Kathryn Provines.

The body is at the D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. John Dicken, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

The donor's favorite charity is designated for preferred memorials.

Gladys V. Laign

GARRETT — Gladys V. Laign, 77, of 306 S. Cowen St., Garrett, died at 6 a.m. today in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

She was born Sept. 6, 1904, in Meyersdale, Pa., a daughter of Charles and Clara (Huffmeyer) Yutzy, and was the widow of Paul C. Laign.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Howard (Barbara) Ashenfelter, Garrett, and Mrs. Harold (Mary Sue) Ross, Lafayette, Calif.; three sons. Paul R. of Marion, David M., Buckhannon, W.Va., and Phillip, El Paso, Texas, and six sisters.

The body is at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Argel Sechler

BUTLER — Argel J. Sechler, 85, died at 7:40 a.m. today in Meadowhaven Nursing Home where he had lived the past 2½ years.

Mr. Sechler was a retired carpenter. He was born in Newville Township, DeKalb County on Dec. 25, 1895 to James and Harriet (Gee) Sechler. He married Geneva Martin in June 1920 and she preceded him in death on July 7, 1948.

Surviving are a son, Keith, Phoenix, Ariz.; three daughters, Mrs. Carmen McBride, Butler; Mrs. June Stubbs, Minnesota; and Mrs. Margean Harris, Adrian, Mich.; seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was a veteran of World War I and a former member of the West Milford Church of Christ.

His funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Johnson Funeral Home. Gregory McBride will officiate. Burial will be in Riverview Cemetery, Newville.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Rae Lucarelli

BUTLER — Rae I. Lucarelli, 36, rural Butler, died Saturday morning at her home, located on County Road 59 and U.S. 6, Butler.

Mrs. Lucarelli was a nurse's aide at Meadowhaven Nursing Home, Butler. She had lived at her rural Butler address the past six years.

She was a member of Butler Church of Christ and Order of Eastern Star, Pennyslvania.

Mrs. Lucarelli was born Dec. 7, 1944 in Lancaster, Penn. to Paul and Bertha (Snider) Frye. Her parents, who both survive, now reside in Stowe, Pa.

Surviving are her husband, Santini Lucarelli; three sons, Paul, Chuck and Todd, at home; one daughter, Judi, also at home; three sisters, Judy Quintis, California; Nancy Quintis, and Betty Ball, Pennyslvania.

Funeral services for Mrs. Lucarelli will be held 10 a.m. Wed. in D.O. McCombs & Sons Funeral Home, Auburn chapel. Frederich Hahn of Butler Church of Christ will officiate. Burial will take place in Pennyslvania at a later date.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Gladys Laign

GARRETT — Gladys V. Laign, 77, 306 S. Cowen St., Garrett, died Saturday at 6:02 a.m. in the Parkview Memorial Hospital Emergency Room, Fort Wayne.

She was a homemaker and member of Garrett United Methodist Church and Order of the Eastern Star. She was married June 28, 1926, in Cumberland, Md., to Paul C. Laign, who preceded her in death on Aug. 14, 1975.

She was born Sept. 6, 1904 in Meyersdale, Penn. to the late Charles and Clara (Hoffmeyer) Yutzy.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Howard (Barbara) Ashenfelter, Garrett; Mrs. Harold (Mary Sue) Ross, Lafayette, Cal.; three sons, Paul, Marion, Ind.; David, Buchannon, W. Virg; and Phillip, El Paso, Tx.

Also surviving are six sisters, Mrs. Albert (Ann) Kalbough, Cumberland, Md.; Mrs. Mabel Martin and Miss Marie Yutzy, both of Annapolis, Md.; Mrs. Lee (Katherine) Lanham, and Mrs. Carl (Wilhelmina) Vogel, both of Hialeah, Fla; and Mrs. Clyde (Esther) England, Bedford, Penn; 18 grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett with Rev. Ronald Bowman of Garrett United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to the church or the DeKalb County Heart Fund.

September 29, 1981 No obituaries

Hobie Hart

Funeral services for Hobart (Hobie) Hart will be Friday at 1 p.m. at the Dilgard, Cline and Southern Funeral Home.

Mr. Hart, a prominent Auburn businessman for many years, died last Saturday at the Feather River Hospital in Paradise, Cal.

Rev. Ronald Oglesbee, pastor of the Auburn Presbyterian Church, will officiate at the service. Burial will follow at the Roselawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 6 p.m. Thursday.

Mr. Hart, 85, was born in Norwood, Ohio, Feb. 25, 1896, and resided at 503 N. Main St. when he lived in Auburn. For many years, he owned and operated the Court Theatre.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth, and several neices and nephews.

Leonard Summers

ALBION — Leonard Barney Summers, 76, Route 1, Albion, died Monday afternoon in McCray Memorial Hospital, Kendallville.

Surviving are two daughters, a son and a sister. Services are Thursday at 2 p.m. in Brazzell Funeral Home. Calling is from 2-5 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m today.

Robert Terry

LAKELAND, Fla. — Robert D. Terry, 72, brother of Maurice Terry, Garrett, died Monday at 7:15 p.m. in Lakeland General Hospital.

Mr. Terry, a graduate of Auburn High School, resided at 111 Boyd St., Lakeland. He was a retired vice-president of the Pontiac State Bank, Pontiac, Mich.

He was born Feb. 12, 1909 in DeKalb County to the late Ora and Edith Terry. He married Thelma Bower of Pontiac, Mich. on Aug. 11, 1931. She survives.

Also surviving are one son, Robert Jr., Grand Ledge, Mich.; one daughter, Barbara Flynn, Santa Maria, Calif.; and six grandchildren. Two grandchildren preceded him in death.

Funeral services for Mr. Terry were held today in Lakeland, Fla. Services and burial will take place at a later date in Pontiac, Mich.

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Theodore Johnson

GARRETT — Theodore N. Johnson, formerly of Garrett, died Wednesday at 5 p.m. in his home at Route 1, Orland, after a one year illness.

Mr. Johnson worked for 43 years (1922-65) as a conductor for the B & O Railroad. He was a member of Garrett Elks, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Garrett, and the church's Holy Name Society.

He was born Sept. 20, 1902 in Avilla, Ind. to the late Theodore and Victoria (Stefanfka) Johnson.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Ralph (Geraldine) Imbody, Garrett; Mrs. Helen Reynolds, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Victorial Borkauc, Chicago; two brothers, Marion Garstka, Kendallville; and Andrew Johnson, Fort Wayne.

His funeral will be 10 a.m. Saturday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, after 2 p.m. Friday.

A rosary service for Mr. Johnson will be held Friday evening in the funeral home. Friends may call the funeral home Friday for time of the service.

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Ruth Lawson

Ruth Lucille Lawson, 52, Route 1, Auburn, died Thursday at 12:30 p.m. in Fort Wayne's Lutheran Hospital, where she had been a patient five days.

Mrs. Lawson, an area resident the past 14 years, was employed as a maid at the Starlite Motel, Auburn. She was a 1947 graduate of Kendallville High School; a member of Auburn Church of Christ; and belonged to Women of the Moose, Lodge 566.

She was born Jan. 20, 1929 in Kalamazoo, Mich. to Lawrence A. and the late Lois (Kanelli) Schroeder. Her father survives in Auburn.

She married Leroy Lawson in Kendallville on Dec. 26, 1947, and he survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Roy and Jay Lawson, both of Auburn; four daughters, Gale and Joan Lawson, Auburn; Mrs. Betty Handshoe, Garrett; and Mrs. Corrine Minnix, Butler; one brother, Marvin Schroeder, Columbia City; one sister, Mrs. Grace Handy, Phoenix, Ariz.; and seven grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 11 a.m. Monday in D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel. Officiating will be Dr. D.V. Dillinger of Auburn Church of Christ.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. Preferred memorials are to the church organ fund.

Ocotober 3, 1981 No obituaries

Lois Zoll

GARRETT — Lois Zoll, 69, 121 E. Quincy St., Garrett, died Saturday at 2:40 p.m. in Colonial Crest Nursing Home, Fort Wayne. She had resided at the home for the past 11 days, and was in ill health the past five years.

Mrs. Zoll was employed with the Creek Chub Bait Co. of Garrett for a number of years, then worked for Essex Inc. in Auburn, retiring in 1975. She was a member of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Garrett.

She was born March 2, 1912 in Cleveland, Ohio to the late Thomas and Emma (Neil) Webb.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Georgia Griswold, Fort Wayne; one brother, Tom Webb, Pensacola, Fla.; seven grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. One daughter, Marjorie Higgins, preceded her in death in 1978.

Funeral services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett. Pastor Anthony Smith of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemtery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Monday.

Ralph J. Rupert Sr.

KENDALLVILLE — Ralph J. Rupert, 79, of 226 S. Orchard St., died at 6:05 p.m. Saturday in McCray Memorial Hospital. He had been ill since the end of August.

Born in Melrose, Ohio, on Oct. 9, 1901, he was the son of Charles M. and Margaret (Brogan) Rupert. On Sept. 22, 1927, in Fort Wayne, he married Ida Irene Evans, who survives.

Mr. Rupert moved to Kendallville 24 years ago from Ohio and was a retired employee of Rea Magnet Wire.

Surviving besides his wife are three daughters, Ruth Waldron of Ligonier, Jane Fluke of Waterloo and Carolyn Latta of Kendallville; six sons, Robert Rupert of Wolcottville, Charles "Tom" Rupert of Kendallville, Ralph J. Rupert of Waterloo, Paul Rupert of Ligonier and Greg Rupert and Keith "Butch" Rupert, both of Albion; a sister, Grace Brakenhoff of Fort Wayne; a brother Russell Rupert of Waterford, Wis.; 35 grandchildren; and 22 great-grandchildren

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. Robert Willbanks of Mitchell Street United Methodist Church officiating.

Burial will be in Lake View Cemetery, Kendallville.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. tonight and from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home.

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Eva Beerbower

HICKSVILLE - Mrs. Eva M. Beerbower, mother of Auburn's Anna Mae Rediger, died Sunday at 4 a.m. at the Fountain Manor Nursing Home in Hicksville, Ohio.

Mrs. Beerbower had resided at 120 W. Smith St. in Hicksville until Dec. 5, 1979, [illegible] been in failing health for several years.

Mrs. Beerbower was born Nov. 13, 1887, in Hicksville, the daughter of Henry and Anna (Roan) Rodocker. She was married Dec. 25, 1909, to A.P. Beerbower, and the couple set up housekeeping in Scipio Township, in Allen County, Indiana. They moved to their home on Smith Street in Hicksville in 1945. Mr. Beerbower preceded his wife in death Jan. 3, 1980.

Surviving in addition to Mrs. Rediger are another daughter, Mrs. Opel Faye Green, Hicksville; six sons, Carlin; San Rafael, Cal., Wayne and Guy, both of Grabill, Owen, of Fort Wayne, Ray and Russell (Pete), both of Antwerp; one sister, Mrs. Sylvania Townsend, Hicksville; 26 grandchildren, 42 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Four brothers preceded Mrs. Beerbower in death.

Mrs. Beerbower was a member of the Fairview Grange.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville, Leslie Strong officiating. Burial will be in the Scipio Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. today and after 9 a.m. Tuesday.

Preferred memorials are to the Scipio Cemetery Association.

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Francis Hollmann

Francis I. Hollmann, formerly of 121½ W. Seventh St., Auburn, died Monday at 7:40 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, where she resided since Oct. 1975.

A native of Decatur, Ind., Mrs. Hollmann was an Auburn resident the past 19 years. She was a homemaker and a member of First United Methodist Church, Decatur. She was a former member of Tri-Kappa in Decatur.

She was born Sept. 7, 1889 to the late David James and Edna Alice (Hower) Harkless. Her husband, Herman Hollmann, preceded her in death in 1943.

Surviving is one sister, Mrs. Russell (Naomi) Stroh, Auburn. One sister preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Zwick-Boltz- Jahn Funeral Home, Decatur. Rev. Philip Hillsamer, pastor of Decatur First United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Decatur Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

October 7,1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, October 8, 1981

Max E. Likens

WATERLOO — Max E. Likens, 55, Route 1, Waterloo, died at 4:30 a.m. today in St. Vincent's Charity Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio. He had undergone open heart surgery Sept. 29.

Mr. Likens worked as a self-employed brick mason in the Waterloo area for many years.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth (Davis) Likens, and three sons, Marty, Auburn; Mark, Fort Wayne; and Scott, at home.

Also surviving are a brother, Argil Likens, Auburn; and four sisters, Mrs. Lorraine Reinhold, Waterloo; Mrs. Janice Grate, Ashley; Mrs. Opal Hursh, Leo; and Mrs. Betty Wilson, Huntertown.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo.

Helen E. Heitz

FREEPORT, Ill. — Helen E. Heitz, 78, formerly of Auburn, died Thursday in Freeport, Ill., where she resided at 616 S. McKinley St. for many years.

Mrs. Heitz was a member of First United Methodist Church, Auburn. She was a graduate of Auburn High School; Fort Wayne Business College; and graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the American Institute of Banking.

She was born Oct. 18, 1902 in Auburn to the late Charles and Anna (Griffin) Rugman. She married Homer Heitz in Champaign, Ill. and he preceded her in death.

Surviving are a son, Jack A. Heitz, Freeport, Ill; a daughter, Mrs. Marlene A. Dantos, West Chicago; and six grandchildren.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn with Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery, rural Garrett.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 4-9 p.m. Sunday and after 10 a.m. Monday.

Christopher Bice

AVILLA — The two-year-old son of Avilla Speedway owner Howard Bice was killed here late Thursday afternoon when he fell from a tractor at the speedway.

Christopher Bice was riding with his father on the speedway tractor, while the track was being graded, when the machine hit a bump. The child fell off the seat and was run over by the tractor's wheels.

The Noble County coroner's office reported the child died of massive head injuries.

Bice, a former race car driver, has owned the Avilla Speedway since 1965 and recently announced a decision to turn Avilla back into a dirt track.

Christopher Marc Bice was born in Fort Wayne March 17, 1979, to Howard and Barbara (Beselach) Bice. His parents reside at Route 2, Avilla.

Also surviving are a brother, Michael Bice, at home; paternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bice of Homeland, Calif.; and maternal grandparents Kenneth Beselach of Los Angeles and Edna Burch of Dallas.

Graveside services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday in the Avilla Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, after 10 a.m. Saturday.

Max Likens

WATERLOO — Services for Max E. Likens, 55, Route 1, Waterloo, will be Sunday at 3 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home.

Mr. Likens died Thursday at 4:30 a.m. in St. Vincent's Charity Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

He was a self-employed brick mason in the Waterloo area for 33 years. A U.S. Navy veteran, he was a member of Maple Grove United Methodist Church, rural Waterloo, and belonged to Waterloo VFW and the American Legion and Moose Lodge, Auburn.

He was born Dec. 28, 1925 in St. Joe to the late Grover and Marguerite (Hampshire) Likens. He married Ruth Davis in Angola on Sept. 11, 1954. She survives.

Also surviving are three sons, Marty, Auburn; Mark, Fort Wayne; and Scott, at home; one brother, Argal Likens, Auburn; four sisters, Mrs. Lorraine Reinhold, Waterloo; Mrs. Janice Grate, Ashley; Mrs. Opal Hirsch, [illegible] and Mrs. Mary [illegible], Huntertown; and one grandchild. One brother preceded him in death.

Rev. Dewey Finley, pastor of Maple Grove United Methodist Church, will officiate at Sunday's funeral. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery, with graveside services by Waterloo VFW.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Saturday. Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Heart Association.

The Evening Star, October 10, 1981

Lulu Healy

Lulu Healy, 83, 102 S. McClellan St., Auburn, died Friday at 10 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient one day. She had been in ill health the past two years.

A homemaker, she was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Auburn.

She was born Sept. 14, 1898 in Claverack, N.Y. to the late Peter D. and Viola (Coons) Shook. She married Albert Healy in Battle Creek, Mich. in 1942 and he preceded her in death.

Surviving are one son, Harry L. Johnson, Auburn; and three brothers, Lester, Myron, and Elmer Shook, Mellenville, N.Y.

Her funeral will be at 10 a.m. Tuesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. John Dicken, pastor of First United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 5-9 p.m. Monday.

The Evening Star, October 12, 1981

Charles Emenhiser

ST. JOE — Charles W. Emenhiser, 86, St. Joe, died early Sunday morning in his home after suffering an apparent heart attack.

Mr. Emenhiser was a retired farmer and a member of the Farm Bureau and United Farmers Organization. He was a 12-year resident of the St. Joe area.

He was born in Monroeville on July 29, 1895 to the late Stephen and Emma (Davidson) Emenhiser. He married Irene Heckler in Jackson Township on Feb. 26, 1915. She preceded him in death in 1973.

Surviving are seven sons, seven daughters, 46 grandchildren, 72 great-grandchildren and one sister.

The surviving sons include Ronald, Spencerville; Kenneth, Butler; Charles Jr., Walhall, Mich.; Jerry, Butler; Stanley, Garrett; Elwood, Hicksville, Ohio; and Michael, Woodburn. One son, Allen, preceded him in death.

The surviving daughters are Mrs. Amy Norwald, Fort Wayne; Mr. Maxine Voirol, Monroeville; Mrs. Bertha Gerardot, Angola; Mrs. Mary Geesman, Fort Wayne; Mrs. Lois Peterson, Angola; Mrs. Ruth Wonderly, Hicksville; and Mrs. Gloria Inlow, Hicksville.

A surviving sister is Mrs. Stella Miller, Deming, N.M.

Services for Mr. Emenhiser will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. in Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville (all times Indiana time). Rev. J.C. White, pastor of Newville United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery in Allen County.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 7 tonight, and after 9 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday. Memorials to Newville United Methodist Church are preferred.

The Evening Star, October 13, 1981

Gilbert L Snook

Gilbert L. Snook, 66, Castle Court Apartments, Auburn, died Monday morning in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Snook was an engineer for the B&O Railroad for 39 years, and retired in 1978. He was a member of the Zion Evangelical Luthern Church of Garrett, the Lutheran Layman League and the Brothers of Locomotive Engineers. He resided at 503 Warfield St., Garrett, before moving to Auburn.

Mr. Snook was born in Garrett on Oct. 10, 1915 to the late Milton and Minnia (Weibelk) Snook. He married LoVila Diederich in Garrett on Feb. 27, 1940. She survives.

Also surviving are two sons; Marvin, Glenview, Ill.; and Robert, Arcadia, Mo.; and two grandchildren.

Services for Mr. Snook will be Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. in the Zion Lutheran Church, with Pastor Anthony Smith officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, and after 12 Noon Wednesay at the Zion Lutheran Church. Preferred memorials are to the Zion Lutheran Pre-School fund or the church building fund.

Martin Zaucha

AVILLA — Martin Zaucha, 91, died Monday in Sacred Heart Home following a brief illness.

Born in Poland on Oct. 24, 1889, he was the son of John and Tillie Zaucha. On May 13, 1913, in DeKalb County, he married Eugenia Mankowski. She preceded him in death on Dec. 13, 1971.

Mr. Zaucha lived in Garrett several years, then moved to St. Petersburg, Fla., until June, when he returned to Avilla. He was a retired B&O Railroad employee.

Surviving are a grandson, Ron Zaucha of Avilla; and three great-granddaughters.

He was preceded in death by four infant children and a son, Edward J. Zaucha, who died in World War II.

Services will be at 10 a.m. Wednesday in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Avilla, with Rev. Bernard Galic officiating.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Garrett.

Friends may call from 2-9 p.m. today at the Brazzell Funeral Home, Avilla, where Rosary will be recited at 7:30 p.m. today.

October 14, 1981 No obituaries

Ralph Kruse

Ralph U. Kruse Sr., age 71, died at 12:25 a.m. Wednesday at Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Kruse was an Auburn native, born Dec. 28, 1909. He retired in 1973 from General Electric Corporation in Fort Wayne, after 21 years of service. He played semi-pro baseball in this area in the 1940s.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Ruthie (Cooper) Kruse. Three sons and two daughters survive. They are: Wayne E., Charles F., and Ralph U. Jr., all of Fort Wayne, and two daughters, Mrs. Sharlene J. Haver and Mrs. Sharon J. Sampson, both of Fort Wayne. His parents, George Kruse and Mary (Fretz) Kruse preceded him in death.

Also surviving are 13 grandchildren.

Friends may call at the D.O. McComb Lakeside Park Funeral Home on Friday, from 3-9 p.m. The funeral will be Saturday at 11 a.m. in the funeral home, conducted by the Rev. Benjamin Keckler of the Parkwood Church of God, Fort Wayne.

Preferred memorials are to the Parkwood Church of God.

Lillian Clouse

WATERLOO — Lillian M. Clouse, age 75, died at 1 a.m. today at DeKalb Memorial Hospital in Auburn. She was a resident of 330 Walnut St., Waterloo.

Funeral arrangements are pending at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

James DePreist

BUTLER — James M. DePreist, age 82, died Thursday at 7:15 a.m. at the Meadowhaven Nursing Home in Butler.

Mr. DePreist was a retired farmer who lived in Route 1, Butler. He is survived by his wife, Fern R. Shultz, whom he married Oct. 27, 1961 in Hicksville.

Three children also survive: a son, George, of Dearborn, Mich., and two daughters, Mrs. Aleta Quinn, of Gaylord, Mich., and Mrs. Juanita Pierce of Kalkaska, Mich. A brother, Frank, lives at Eddyville, Ky. He was preceded in death by a son, Jay, four brothers and two sisters.

Also surviving are ten grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home in Hicksville after 6 tonight, all day Saturday, and Sunday after 11 a.m. The funeral will be at the home Sunday at 2 p.m. (Indiana time). The Rev. J.C. White of the Newville United Methodist Church will officiate. Burial will be at the Forest Home Cemetery at Hicksville. Preferred memorials are to the Hicksville Gospel Tabernacle.

Kenneth Dills

CAMARILLO, Calif. — Kenneth Olen Dills, 87, died Sunday in Camarillo after suffering a stroke.

He was the husband of Ethelwyn Weaver Dills, who was born and raised in Auburn. She was employed as a commercial artist by the Auburn Postal Card Co., and later was one of the first artists for Hall Brothers. She designed and executed their complete line, and was their only artist at one time.

Mrs. Dills survives, along with a daughter, Barbara Jane Saunders and one granddaughter, Kathryn Jane Saunders, of California.

Mr. Dills was born in Kansas City, Mo., and was a 52-year resident of Kansas City, where he owned his own business, Dills Monarch Co. He later moved to California and was public relations director fot ht Charles Krug Winery.

Lillian Clouse

WATERLOO — Lillian M. Clouse, 76, died at 11:50 p.m. Wednesday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She was a resident of 330 Walnut St., Waterloo.

Mrs. Clouse was born in Spencerville on Sept. 4, 1905, to Martin L. and Martha (Johnson) Coch. She retired from Rieke Corporation in 1965. She was a member of the Christian Community Church in Waterloo.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank (Doc) Clouse, who died in 1969, and one sister. Two brothers survive: Paul Coch, Angola; and Dwight Coch, St. Joe.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today. Her funeral will be Saturday at 10 a.m., with Rodney Hall officiating. Burial will be in the Spencerville Cemetery.

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Alice Connor

Alice L. Connor, 86, formerly of 330 W. Fifth St., Auburn, died at 8:15 p.m. Friday in Betz Nursing Home, where she had been a resident two years.

Mrs. Connor was born Sept. 26, 1895, in Bluffton, a daughter of Lewis Irvin and Minnie (Keipper) Scott, and was married July 5, 1919, in Auburn to Guy Burrell Connor, who died Dec. 9, 1968.

Surviving are a number of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by three brothers and a sister, in addition to her husband.

Mrs. Connor was a member of the Auburn United Methodist Church.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, from 7-9 p.m. Sunday. An Eastern Star service is scheduled for 8 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home.

Final rites will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home, with Lee Stump officiating., Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

William Deetz dies on I-69

William (Bill) E. Deetz, 57, Auburn, died at 9 p.m. Saturday. He apparently suffered a heart attack while driving his pick-up truck on I-69, just north of Dupont Road in Allen County.

Mr. Deetz had recently moved to Fort Wayne, after living in Auburn for many years.

He was born March 9, 1924 in Peru, Indiana, the son of Jay and Gladys (Achemire) Deetz. He was married to Barbara (Smith) Deetz, who survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Deborah Kirkpatrick, Warsaw; and Angela Deetz, Auburn; two sons, John Deetz, Auburn; and Jeffrey Deetz, Fort Wayne; one brother, Robert Deetz, Angola; and one sister, Mrs. Virginia Meyer, Corunna.

Mr. Deetz was a truck driver for the Norwalk Truck Lines in Auburn for 20 years, and was a driver for Essex in Fort Wayne for the last 10 years. He was a World War II Navy veteran, and a member of the First United Methodist Church.

His funeral will be at D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel, on Wednesday at 10 a.m., with Rev. Russell M. Tague officiating. Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery near Corunna.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Memorials to the DeKalb County Heart Association are preferred.

Edson Klinkel

BUTLER — Edson Klinkel, age 82, died Saturday at 8:30 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for two weeks. He had been in failing health for several months.

He was a native of DeKalb County, and lived at Route 1, Hamilton most of his life. Mr. Klinkel was a farmer, the son of Francis and Catherine (Neidig) Klinkel, both deceased. He was born January 14, 1899 in Butler.

Survivors include several nieces and nephews.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the Johnson Funeral Home, Butler. Eastern Star Services will be held at 7 tonight, and Masonic Services at 7:30. He was a fifty year member of the Forest Lodge 239 F&AM Masonic Lodge, the Forest Chapter 44, Order of Eastern Star, Angola Chapter and Council, Angola Commandry, and Fort Wayne Scottish Rite & Shrine.

Funeral services will be held at the Jerusalem Church of Butler on Tuesday at 2 p.m., with Rev. Miriam Jeffers and Rev. Gale Johnson officiating. Burial will be at the Hamilton Cemetery.

Richard Cook

ANGOLA — Richard "Turtle" Cook, 36, bartender at the Heidelberg Cafe, died Saturday in his home at 207 E. Mill St., Angola.

He had lived in the Auburn area unti 1979, before moving to Angola. He was born in Wyoming on Dec. 7, 1944 to the late Harold and Mary (Middaugh) Cook.

Cousins are his only surviving relatives.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett. Rev. Karl Kirkman will officiate.

Friends may call at Weicht Funeral Home in Angola from 7-9 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, October 20, 1981

Lois Ridenour

Lois E. Ridenour, age 87, died at Cameron Hospital, Angola on Monday at 8:30 a.m, following an illness of seven years. She was a homemaker and a resident of 702 E. Seventh St., Auburn.

She was born Sept. 14, 1894 in Hamilton County, Ind., to Edward and Grace (Bowers) Lane, and married Russell Ridenour April 14, 1923 in Atlanta, Ind. Mr. Ridenour preceded her in death in March 1976.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Judith Moore, DeKalb County Recorder, and Mrs. Jane Powers, of Dayton, Wash.; a brother, Frank Lane of Helmet, Calif., seven grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. A son and two sisters preceded her in death.

She was a member of the First Christian Church of Auburn.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home from 7 to 9 p.m. today. The funeral will be held at the funeral home at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Burial will be in the Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn. Preferred Memorials are to the First Christian Church of Auburn.

The Evening Star, October 21, 1981

Thomas Greenfield Jr.

ODESSA, Texas — Thomas E. Greenfield Jr., 19, a former Auburn resident, was killed Tuesday, Oct. 13 in Odessa, Texas. He was working on a car when it fell and crushed him.

He is survived by his wife, Maureen Florence Greenfield, and a son, Thomas Edward Greenfield III, both of Odessa, Texas; his mother, Elizabeth N. Shuck, Fort Worth, Texas; his father, Thomas E. Greenfield Sr., Odessa; two sisters, April E. Greenfield, Odessa, and Dawn Marie Libby, Central Point, Oregon; two stepsisters; and two stepbrothers.

Surviving locally are grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Harold Johnston, Auburn, and Mrs. Marie Hurd, Auburn; a great-great grandfather, Mr. Clinton Johnston, Waterloo, and a great-great grandmother, Mary Luttman, Auburn.

He was entombed in Restlawn Memorial Park Mausoleum, El Paso, Texas, on Friday.

Ruth Daum

Ruth L. Daum, 84, a former Auburn resident, died Tuesday at Great Bend Manor, Great Bend, Kansas.

Mrs. Daum was born in Auburn in 1897 to J.P. and Florence (Dirrim) Long. She lived in Chicago for many years, then moved to Mesa, Ariz. in 1972.

She is survived by one daughter, Wanda Castone, Mesa, Ariz.; one sister, Vesta Shull, Auburn; two half-sisters, Marietta Sheets, Mesa, Ariz. and Priscilla Dunn, Pleasant Lake, Ind.; one half-brother, Walto (Bill) Long, Auburn; two grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

John Creasy

FREDERICKSBURG, VA. - John A. Creasy, 75, a native of Auburn, died Wednesday in Quakertown, Virginia.

Mr. Creasy was born in Auburn Dec. 21, 1905, the son of Charles W. and Ora Etta (Duguanne) Creasy. He graduated from Auburn High School and attended Indiana University in Bloomington.

For 23 years, he operated his own company of sales and service of duplicating equipment in Altoona, Pa. In 1980, he moved to Fredericksburg.

In 1932, he married Joyce Armstrong, who survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Jocelyn; a son, Jack; and four grandchildren.

Memorial services will be held Saturday at the Popcorn Christian Church in Popcorn, Ind., near Springville. Burial will be in the Lauder Cemetery, Popcorn.

The Evening Star, October 23, 1981

Viola E. Miller

Viola E. Miller, 91, of Route 1, Corunna, died at 6:05 p.m. Thursday in Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola.

She was born in Corunna on Feb. 21, 1890, the daughter of Franklin and Maria (Beuchat) Wiltrout. On June 2, 1923, in South Bend, she married Walter H. Miller, who preceded her in death on April 21, 1977.

Mrs. Miller was a lifetime area resident and a member of Faith United Methodist Church, Kendallville.

Surviving is a sister, Agnes Bruce of Corunna.

She was preceded in death by seven brothers and two sisters.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Monday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home, Kendallville, with Rev. William Kaiser officiating.

Burial will follow in Fairfield Center Cemetery, Corunna.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday.

Jay Lochner

Jay Lochner, 89, died at 1:30 p.m. Thursday at his home on Route 2, Auburn, after an illness of several years.

He was an Auburn native, born July 1, 1892 in Jackson Township to Peter P. and Adella (Furnish) Lochner. He was a retired farmer and retired self-employed contracter.

He married Marie Bartels on Aug.1, 1913 at Hillsdale, Mich.; she died in 1978. He was a member of the Farmer's Union and the Jackson Township Grange.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Charlotte Aubrey of Route 2, Auburn, Mrs. Phyllis Roop of Greenvalley, Ariz.; three sons, Robert of Bryan, Ohio, Jack of Tacoma, Wash., and Richard of Auburn; and one sister, Mabel Lochner of Auburn.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 2 p.m. Saturday. Services will be held at the funeral home at 2 p.m. Sunday, with the Rev. Howard Cherry of Huntington College officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

October 24, 1981 No obituaries

Stella Steward

GARRETT — Stella I. Steward, 84, 404 N. Walsh St., Garrett, died Saturday at 12:50 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

A resident of Garrett since 1946, she was a housewife, and had also worked for the Auburn Rubber Company. She married Arthur Steward, who survives, on July 19, 1915 in California.

She was born in Tuolomme, Calif. on Feb. 5, 1897 to George and Gabirell (Bushou) Blair.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Glen (Thelma) Diehl of Auburn; a son, Ray, of Mundelein, Ill.; a brother, Gabriel Blair of Santa Rosa, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Delia Nielson of Altaville, Calif.; seven grandchildren and 13 grandchildren.

She was a past president of the Garrett Eagles Auxiliary.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett after 2 p.m. today. Her funeral will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home. James Platner of the First Church of Christ, Garrett, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Thelma Madden

Thelma T. Madden, 80, 106 S. Wilson St., Auburn, died at 1:30 a.m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She was admitted to the hospital two days ago, and had been ill for two months.

Mrs. Madden was born in Waterloo on May 21, 1901, the daughter of Ira W. and Cora R. (Schimpff) Till, of Waterloo. She married Homer Madden in Nov. 1924 at Auburn. He preceded her in death on July 17, 1961.

She was a resident of Auburn for 50 years, and was a member of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, the Rebecca Lodge and the Pythian Sisters.

Surviving are one brother, Carl S. Till, of Waterloo; and two sisters, Faye Holtheus, Edon, Ohio, and Bessie Law, Muncie.

Her funeral will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday in Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home, Auburn. Rev. George W. Schuette, pastor of St. Mark's Lutheran Church, will officiate. Interment will be in the Auburn Mausoleum.

Friends may call at the funeral home on after 2:30 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, October 27, 1981

Deloras Eastman

Deloras Eastman, 64, Wesley Park Apartments, Auburn, died at 2 a.m. today in Cameron Hospital, Angola.

She was born June 30, 1917 to Alonzo W. and Grace (Bendell) Carr in Garrett.

She was a retired school teacher, and had taught in the Hazel Park Schools in Berkley, Mich. for 27 years. She also taught in the Roland Heights, Calif. school system for five years. She was a life-long member of the Soroptimist Club of America.

Surviving is one brother, Roy M. Carr of Angola.

Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo is in charge of all arrangements. There will be no calling. Following cremation, a private, graveside service will be held at Christian Union Cemetery in Garrett. Memorials to the donor's choice are preferred.

Earl Schultis

Earl V Schultis, age 77, died at noon Monday at the Betz Nursing Home in Auburn following an illness of two weeks. He had been at the nursing home 12 hours.

Mr. Schultis had retired in July from his job at the Custom Hydraulics plant in Auburn, and was a 16 year resident of 425 W. Seventh St., Auburn. He was born in Warren, Ohio March 19, 1904 to Charles and Margaret (King) Schultis, and married Florence C. Conner June 24, 1923 in Cleveland, Ohio. His wife died in June, 1979.

Surviving are three sons, John P. of Auburn, James C. of Orland, and Thomas E. of Churubusco; two daughters, Mrs. Richard (Margaret) Scher, of Huntington, and Mrs. Richard, (Mary Ann) Koons, of Spencerville; three sisters, Mrs. Eleanor Earhart of Longview, Tex., and Mildred Schultis and Marian Schultis of Rocky River, Ohio.; 22 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He was an honorary charter member of the Auburn Elks lodge, and a member of the Garrett Eagles lodge, and the Auburn Moose lodge.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo from 7-9 p.m. tonight, and from 2-4 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. There will be a rosary service in the funeral home at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, and an Auburn Elks memorial service at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday.

Services will be at the Immaculate Conception Church in Auburn, where he was a member, at 10 a.m. Thursday, with Father Henry Mascotte officiating. Burial will be in the Auburn Catholic Cemetery.

October 28, 1981 No obituaries

Melba Hofferman

GARRETT — Melba L. Hofferman, 63, 311 S. Franklin St., Garrett, died Tuesday at 9:36 p.m. in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

A housewife, she was the widow of the late Bernard Hofferman, whom she married in Garrett on Sept. 28, 1943. She was born March 18, 1918 in Millersburg, Ind., to John and Bessie (Method) Ramer, both deceased.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Sandra (Wisel) Grant, of Garrett; a son, DuWayne of Evansport, Ohio; a brother, Robert Ramer, Fort Wayne; and seven grandchildren.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Garrett and the VFW Auxiliary.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Friday. Her funeral will be at the funeral home Saturday at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Robert Chidister of the First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Mame Gingery

GARRETT — Mame L. Gingery, 79, died Wednesday at 6:48 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn.

She was recently a resident of Route 1, Garrett, but had lived at 202 King St., Garrett, for many years. She was a housewife and also had worked at Manuel's News Stand in Garrett.

Mrs. Gingery was born May 18, 1902 in Ohio to Anthony and Mary (Kottenbrock) Rechtine. She married Leon G. Gingery, who preceded her in death in 1955.

She is survived by two sons, Raymond of Garrett, and Robert of Kingwood, Tex.; 19 grandchildren and one great-grandchild. One son, Leon A., preceded her in death earlier this year.

She was a member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Garrett, the church's Rosary Society and the Daughters of Isabella.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, where Rosary Services will be conducted at 8:15 this evening.

Her funeral will be at the funeral home Friday at 10:30 a.m., with Rev. Adam Schmitt of St. Joseph's Catholic Church officiating. Burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery.

Arlene F. Hurni

HICKSVILLE, Ohio — Mrs. Arlene F. Hurni, 68, 206½ E. Smith St., Hicksville, died at 3:13 a.m. Thursday at St. Joseph's Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been a patient there for the past five weeks, and in failing health for two years.

Mrs. Hurni was a homemaker and the widow of Lynn T. Hurni, who preceded her in death July 12, 1975. She was born July 8, 1913 at Pioneer, Ohio, to Clarence and Nora (Ayers) Killian.

She is survived her mother, in Auburn; two daughters, Mrs. June Flowers of Tampa, Fla., and Mrs. Jo Ann Arthus of Toledo; four sons, Robert of Phoenix, Rex and Ernie of Hicksville, and Roy of the U.S. Navy in New York; three sisters, Mrs. Olive Snyder of Ashley, Mrs. Marie Clark of Garrett, and Mrs. Bernice Sechler of St. Joe; and one half-sister, Mrs. Irene McDaniels, of Beaverton, Mich.

She was a member of the Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church and the Farm Bureau.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, after 2 p.m. Friday and after 9 a.m. Saturday. Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at the funeral home, with Rev. William Boyer of the Hicksville Trinity United Methodist Church officiating. Burial will be at the Forest Home Cemetery in Hicksville.

Preferred memorials are to the Defiance County Cancer Society.

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Maude Mergy

WATERLOO — Maude May Mergy, 93, a lifetime resident of Waterloo, died at 10:05 p.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient a few days.

Mrs. Mergy was born March 6, 1888 in Waterloo to Norman and Lizzie (North) Luce. She married Henry Mergy in Waterloo in March 1905, and he preceded her in death in 1959.

She is survived by a son, Eston "Pie" Mergy of Ashley, with whom she lived the past year; a daughter, Iva Lockwood of Waterloo; 10 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and seven great-great grandchildren. Six brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 2 p.m. Saturday. Her funeral will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home, with burial in the Waterloo Cemetery.

The Evening Star, October 31, 1981

Mary Childers

Mary S. Childers, 89, Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, died Friday at 0:10 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

She was born July 26, 1892 in Detroit, Mich., to George and Henriette (Baird) Jones, and was a 60-year resident of Garrett. She was married July 25, 1912 to Ralph Childers, who died June 12, 1972.

Mrs. Childers was a housewife, and was a member of the Garrett United Methodist church, the Garrett OES, and the Engineer auxillery.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Durward Wilmot, Garrett; four sons, George and Ralph LeRoy, both of Lehigh Acres, Fla., Robert, Anapolis, Md., and Merle, Rochester, Minn.; seven grandchildren; two step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren, and two step great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Sacred Heart Home chapel, with the Revs. Ronald Bowman and James Platner officiating. Burial will be in the Woodlawn cemetery, Auburn. Friends may call at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, Monday from 2-9 p.m. Memorials may be given to the Garrett United Methodist Church or the Sacred Heart Home.

Mattie Lawson

LIGONIER — Mattie Lawson, a resident of Fountainview Nursing Home, Goshen, died at 6 p.m. Saturday at her residence. She was 89.

Born June 8, 1892 in Menifee Co. Kentucky, she was the daughter of Issac and Loueica (Bach) Hampton. She married Alvin A. Lawson on April 20, 1909 in Middletown, Ohio. He died in 1953.

Mrs. Lawson was a 53-year resident of the Ligonier and Kimmell communities. She was a member of the Apostolic Pentacostal Church.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. David (Gertie) Mehl, Mrs. Vern (Irene) Lengacher and Mrs. Henry (Esther) Blanchard, all of Ligonier; five sons, Rev. Oscar Lawson, and Glenn Lawson, of Goshen; Paul Lawson, Rock River, Wyoming; Rev. Marple Lawson, Butler and Clarence Lawson, Sacramento, Calif.

Also surviving are a half-brother, two half-sisters, a step-sister, 33 grandchildren, 53 great-grandchildren and 19 great-great grandchildren.

A daughter and three sons preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Sparta United Church of Chirst, Kimmell, with Rev. Jack DeVault and Rev. Homer Askew officiating. Burial will be in Sparta Cemetery, Kimmell.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. at the Ulrey Funeral Home, Ligonier.

Judith Heist

HUDSON — Judith Ann Heist, 41, of 1237 Sugar Maple Dr., Greenville, Ohio, died Friday at her residence.

She was born in Bryan, Ohio Nov. 10, 1939 the daughter of Cleo and Paralee N. (Phelps) Mills. Her father survives in Hudson.

Also surviving are a daughter Melinda Sue Heist, a student at Tri State University, Angola; a son Kevin E. Heist, at home; a sister Mrs. Gary (Jill) Curtis of Hudson; four brothers Ralph Mills of Fort Wayne; Jerry E. Mills of St. Petersburg, Fla.; and Jack L. Mills and James M. Mills, both of Pleasant Lake.

Services will be Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, with Rev. Darold Beck officiating.

Burial will be in Fairfield Cemetery, Corunna.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Tuesday.

The Evening Star, November 3, 1981

Carol Dawson

Carol Dawson, 82, 304 N. Cedar St., Auburn, died Monday at 9:10 p.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been in failing health for one year, and at the hospital for 24 hours.

An outstanding educator, Miss Dawson taught English and Latin to hundreds of area students at the Auburn High School.

She was born in Auburn to Frank and Anna Dawson on Dec. 13, 1898, and lived in Auburn her entire life. She taught in the Auburn High School from 1925-1960. She was the sponsor of the school paper, and also was the school librarian. She was a member of the Eastern Star, Retired Teachers Association, Delta Kappa Gamma, Tri-Kappa, and Business and Professional Women.

Miss Dawson is survived by several nieces and nephews. A sister, Mrs. Robert Ellis of Garrett, preceded her in death.

Friends may call at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home in Auburn after 3 p.m. Wednesday.

Her funeral will be Thursday at 1:30 p.m. in the funeral home. Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church, where she was a member, will officiate. Burial will be in Roselawn Cemetery.

November 4, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, November 5, 1981

Lawrence Van Leuven

MILFORD, Mich.- Lawrence VanLeuven, 68, of Milford, Mich. (brother of Robert VanLeuven, C.R. 39, Auburn) died Oct. 24 at St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac, Mich., following a lengthy illness. He was buried Nov. 2 at the Catholic Cemetery in Milford.

He is survived by his wife, Viola, five daughters, one son, five grandchildren, four sisters and three brothers.

Reginald Moore

BRYAN, Ohio — Reginald Moore, 75, a former DeKalb County resident, died late Tuesday in the Bryan Community Hospital following an illness of several months.

Mr. Moore was a farmer and DeKalb County resident for many years. He was born Jan. 11, 1906 in Grayson County, Kentucky to James and Nancy Catherine (Willis) Moore. He married Lydia Morhart in June 1927. She survives at their home in Bryan.

Also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Harmon (Wilda) Haye of Stryker, Ohio, and Mrs. Forrest (Marcelle) Hagelberger of Pioneer, Ohio; two sons, Loren Moore of Bryan and Gerald L. Moore of Oakland, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Tellis (Eula) Carey of Hicksville; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services were held today at the Lick Creek Church of the Brethren, and burial was in the Brown Cemetery in Bryan. Memorials may be made to the Lick Creek Church of the Brethren, Bryan.

John Lee

FORT WAYNE — John C. Lee, 68, 7117 St. Joe Road, Fort Wayne, died at Parkview Hospital Thursday morning after a sudden illness.

He is the brother of Donald, Lawrence and Gene Lee of Auburn, Robert Lee of Waterloo, and Mrs. Harold Smith of Auburn.

He was a retired foreman for Dally Construction of Fort Wayne. Mr. Lee was born Jan. 30, 1913 to John A. and Myrtle (Hardin) Lee in Stuttgart, Ark., and married Cleo Nehr, who survives. Also surviving are a daughter, Nedra Wilson of Fort Wayne, brothers George of Plymouth, Mich. and Ralph of Battle Creek, Mich., and sisters Meda Brons of Harlington, Texas, Thelma Funk of Hasty, Ark., Carol Panyard of Jimmerson Lake, Ind. Two sisters and one brother preceded him in death.

Friends may call from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today at D.O. McComb Funeral Home on Lake Avenue in Fort Wayne. Services will be held at the funeral home on Saturday at 2 p.m., with burial at the Greenlawn Cemetery, Fort Wayne.

The Evening Star, November 7, 1981

Inez C. Dosch

Inez C. Dosch, 75, Route 3, Auburn, died Friday at 10 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where she had been a patient for two weeks. Mrs. Dosch had been in failing health for five months.

She was born in Jackson Township Dec. 8, 1905, the daughter of Perry and Mattie (Freeman) Carnahan. She had resided at Route 3 for 50 years.

She was married August 9, 1931, in Mishawaka to Frank Dosch, who survives.

Also surviving is one brother, Ray Carnahan, rural Auburn. Two sisters preceded Mrs. Dosch in death.

She was a retired employee of The Messenger Corporation. She was also a member of the Hopewell United Brethrn in Christ Church, the Women's Missionary Circle, and the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

Funeral services will be Monday at 10:30 a.m. at the church, Rev. Howard Anderson and Rev. Howard Cherry officiating. Burial will be in the Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb County Hospice of Hope.

The Evening Star, November 9, 1981

Darlene Schortgen

BUTLER — Darlene M. Schortgen, 37, 325 W. Depot St., Butler, died Saturday at 4 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Schortgen was a housewife and an active "C.B." radio enthusiast. Her C.B. "handle" was "Ding-a-ling."

She was born May 30, 1944 in Garrett, to Charles and Wanita (Huff) Albertson, who survive in Butler. She married Ferdinand Schortgen in Auburn on Oct. 27, 1961. Her husband survives.

Also surviving are one son, David, at home; one brother, Charles E. Albertson, Edgerton, Ohio; and one sister, Mrs. William (Connie) Smith, Fort Wayne.

She was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Edgerton; and its Rosary Society. She also belonged to the Eagles Auxiliary in both Butler and Bryan, Ohio.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. Tuesday in Johnson Funeral Home, Butler.

Funeral arrangements are pending for sometime Wednesday.

Adolph Shoudel

BUTLER — Adolph (Spike) Shoudel, 66, 344 W. Depot St., Butler, died Sunday at 5:15 p.m. at the Veteran's Hospital in Fort Wayne following a long illness. He had been a patient in the hospital for two months.

Mr. Shoudel, a Waterloo native, had lived on Depot St. for 13 years, and was a retired employee of Maxton Motors, Butler. He was born Nov. 13, 1915 to George and Marie (Huff) Shoudel in Waterloo, and married Mildred Bry on July 27, 1946 in Auburn.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, is his mother, Mrs. Marie Shoudel of Avilla, and four daughters, Mrs. Betty Smith of Bryan, Ohio, Mrs. Shirley Hile, of Eustes, Fla., Mrs. Mary Price, Mrs. Linda Miller, both of Butler; one son, Jerry, of Butler; one brother, George, of Champaign, Ill.; three sisters, Mrs. Agnas Ball of Auburn, Mrs. Bernadette Meyer of Avilla, Mrs. Mary Weimer of Fort Wayne, and ten grandchildren. Two brothers and a grandson preceded him in death.

Mr. Shoudel served in the armed forces in World War II, and was a member of the Butler American Legion and the Immaculate Conception Church in Auburn..

Friends may call at the Johnson Funeraal Home in Butler after 5 p.m. today, and Rosary services will be held at 7 p.m. The funeral will be held at the funeral hme on Wednesday at 11:30 a.m.; burial will be in the Butler Cemetery with military honors. Preferred memorials are to the Cancer Society.

Darlene Schortgen

Funeral services for Darlene Schortgen, 37, who died at 4 p.m. Saturday at Parkview Hospital, and was a resident of 325 W. Depot, Butler, will be held Wednesday at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church at Edgerton, Oh., with Father Henry Mascotte of the Auburn Immaculate Church officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery at Edgerton, Oh., Friends may call at the Johnson Funeral Home in Butler after 2 p.m. Tuesday, with Rosary Services at 7 p.m.

November 11, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, November 12, 1981

Nina Lockhart

HAMILTON — Nina O. Lockhart, 80, of Route 1, Pleasant Lake, died Wednesday afternoon at the Lakeland Nursing Home, Angola.

Born Dec. 27, 1900, she was the daughter of Irvin and Luella (Crise) Bair. She was a lifetime area resident and a retired registered nurse. She was a member of Pleasant Lake Baptist Church, Order of Eastern Star No. 231, Pleasant Lake, and VFW Auxiliary No. 06572, Waterloo.

Mrs. Lockhart was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Lockhart, in 1970.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Elvin (Wilma) Robinett of Hamilton and Mrs. Clair (Roberta) Lower of Pleasant Lake; a son, Irvin Lockhart of Waterloo; two brothers, Milo Bair of Hamilton and Orville Bair of Horseshoe Bend, Ark.; 10 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Rev. Russell Brayton officiating.

Burial will be in Pleasant Lake Cemetery.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. at the funeral home, where an Eastern Star service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Wayne L. Heffley

Wayne L. Heffley, 48, 110 W. Third St., Auburn, died at 5 p.m. Thursday in Dekalb Memorial Hospital. He suffered a heart attack while driving his pickup truck on County Road 40-A, east of the hospital.

A resident of Auburn for the past few years, he had lived at Route 1, Auburn, most of his life. He was a farmer, and had also worked for the B&O Railroad for the past few years.

He was born in rural Auburn Dec. 4, 1932 to Glenn and Wanda Heffley. His mother survives on Route 1, Auburn.

He married Beth Hankey, who survives, on Feb. 20, 1953 in Butler. Also surviving, in addition to his mother and wife, are two sons, Kerry of Garrett and Kent of Auburn; a daughter, Emily Heffley of Scottsdale, Ariz.; a brother, Bill of Fort Wayne; and three sisters, Mrs. Norma Jean Webb of Auburn, Mrs. Shirley J. Holom of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Judy Korff of Fort Wayne; and one grandchild.

Mr. Heffley was a member of the U. S. Army from 1953-55, a member of the Waterloo Masonic Lodge, Auburn American Legion and Auburn Moose Lodge. He was a leader in the National Farmers Organization, serving as past president of both the county and district, and the American Agricultural Movement. He served two years on former Congressman Dan Quayle's Agricultural Committee.

Funeral services will be at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo at 2 p.m. Sunday. Friends may call at the funeral home after 2 p.m. on Saturday. Burial will be in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Memorials to the Heart Fund are preferred.

Myrtle Pugsley

ST. JOE — Myrtle Bell Pugsley, 97, of 212 Widney Ave., St. Joe, died in Hicksville Community Memorial Hospital at 2 a.m. today, after a three year illness.

A housewife, she was born in Newville on March 5, 1884 and married Lester E. Pugley, who survives, on April 2, 1914 at Devil's Lake, Mich.

Also surviving are two sons, Carl H. of Angola, and Marcel W. of Fort Wayne; two brothers, Delbert Jennings of Butler, and Ernest Jennings of Edgerton, Ohio; three grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Baidinger & Walter Funeral Home, Spencerville, on Saturday from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral services will be held at the Church of Christ in St. Joe at 2 p.m. Sunday, with Dennis King officiating. Her body will lie in state at the church, where she is a member, from noon Sunday until the time of the service. Burial will be at the Riverside Cemetery, St. Joe.

Hazel Freeman

Hazel L. Freeman, 86, Auburn, died Friday at 5:15 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home. She had been a resident there for two years.

Mrs. Freeman was a housewife. Her husband, Lewis, preceded her in death. She was born in Jackson Township, DeKalb County on Feb. 15, 1895 to the late Rufus E. and Laura (Means) Strong.

The only surviving relatives are nieces, nephews and one cousin.

Her funeral will be Monday at 1 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel. Rev. Carl Wirey, former pastor of Auburn United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-9 p.m. Sunday.

Mahlon K. Hart

Mahlon K. (Jack) Hart, 67, a lifetime resident of Rt. 1, LaOtto, died Sunday at 10:45 a.m. at home.

He was an employee of International Harvester in Fort Wayne for 35 years, until he retired in 1978. He was born Aug. 12, 1914 in Lagrange County, to Allen and Minnie (Walters) Hart, and married Juanita Belta, who survives, April 27, 1942 in Auburn.

Surviving in addition to his wife, are six sons, Jeffrey, Garrett, Ronald, LaOtto, James, Howe, and Keith, Richard, and Lynn, all of Kendallville; one step-son, Robert Harter, of Fort Wayne; two daughters, Mrs. David (Susan) McNutt, of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Robert (Jenny) Wolford of Kendallville; one brother, Ernest Hart of Kendallville; four sisters, Mrs. Herbert (Vemba) Myers, of Wolcottville, Mrs. Eva Ernsberger, Mrs. LeRoy (Mae) Kammerer, and Mrs. John (June) Swarts, all of Kendallville; 21 grandchildren, three step-grandchildren, and eight step great-grandchildren.

Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home at Garrett, where the funeral will be held Tuesday at 10 a.m., with Rev. Daniel Engber of the LaOtto Emmanual Lutheran Church officiating. Burial will be at Huntertown Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the church or the LaOtto Fire Department.

Martin L. Miller

Martin L. Miller, 92, 1211 S. Cowan St., Garrett, died Saturday at 11:45 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient since Aug. 18.

He was born in Richland Township March 16, 1889, to Joshua and Lavina (Batdorf) Miller. He was the yardmaster at the B&O Railroad in Garrett from 1920-1959.

He married Cletus Beber in Auburn in 1908. She preceded him in death.

Surviving are a son, Martin E., of Auburn; three daughters, Mrs. Charles (Evelyn) Baker, Garrett, Mrs. Dwight (Mildred) McDaniel, Garrett, and Mrs. Marcella McKinley, Deming, N. M.; eight grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

He was a member of the Garrett Masonic Lodge, a Royal Arch Mason, and a member of the Eagles Lodge, and the Garrett First Church of Christ.

Services will be Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, James Platner, of the Church of Christ officiating. Friends may call after 2 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery in Auburn, with graveside service to be conducted by Mr. Miller's grandson, James E. Miller.

November 17, 1981 No obituaries

Cethel T. Hook

HICKSVILLE, Ohio - Mrs. Cethel T. Hook, 81, of 123 Defiance Ave., Hicksville, Ohio, died Tuesday at 8:30 p.m. at the Hicksville Memorial Hospital, where she was a patient one day.

She was born Sept. 9, 1900 at Grover Hill, Ohio to David and Nora (Aldrich) Ballinger, and married Joseph R. Hook, who survives, on June 21, 1918 at Defiance, Ohio.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, is a son, Otha Hook, Hicksville, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. Madeline Breininger, Brian, Ohio, and Mrs. Zola Russell, Hicksville; one brother, LaVon Ballinger, Hicksville; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Shank, Brian, Ohio, and Mrs. Bertha Smith, LaGrange, In.; 13 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild. A daughter, two brothers and two sisters preceded her in death.

Friends may call at the Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, Ohio, after 2 p.m. Thursday, and after 9 a.m. on Friday. Funeral Services will be held at 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home with Rev. David Cottrell of the Logan United Methodist Church of rural Hicksville officiating. Burial will be in the Forest Home Cemetery at Hicksville.

Homer Houck Sr.

Homer H. Houck Sr., 85, of South Milford, died at 5:50 a.m. today in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

He was born in Auburn on April 14, 1896, the son of Edward and Nettie Houck. On Oct. 7, 1920, he married Naoma Krill, who survives.

Mr. Houck, a 40-year resident of South Milford, was a veteran of World War I and an electric engineer and draftsman. He was a member the United Methodist Church, Veteran of Foreign Wars, Masonic Lodge, of which he was past master, and the Noble County Law Enforcement Association.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Gene (Anna Lee) Mory, South Milford; three sons. Homer H. Houck Jr., Elkhart,

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Nannie Bell Maloney

Nannie Bell Maloney, 55, died Tuesday evening at 601 S. Cedar St., Auburn.

She was a housewife and resident of 1201 South Rd., Garrett. She was born Aug. 3, 1926 in Kentucky to B. and Georgia (Brock) Banks, and married Rhoda Maloney April 11, 1942. He preceded her in death June 22, 1975.

She is survived by three sons, Hermon, of Garrett, Ronald, of Sharpesville, In., and John, with the U.S. Army in Germany; four daughters, Mrs. Robert (Glenda Sue) Rottger, Garrett, Mrs. John (Melinda) Soule, Auburn, Mrs. Lane (Ellen) Andrews, Auburn, Mrs. Darlis (Judy Ann) Webb, Kentucky; four brothers, Stanley Banks, Garrett, R. V. Banks, Altona, Rev. J. C. Banks, and Rev. Alvin Banks, both of Auburn; five sisters, Mrs. Opal Fugate, Altona, In., Mrs. Chester (Helen) Terry, Kendallville, Mrs. Guy (Lorrine) Feightner and Mrs. Richard (Shirley) Hunter, both of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Sherman (Irene) Johnson, Ky.; and 12 grandchildren. One sister, Mrs. Violet Terry, preceded her in death.

She was a member of the Free Bible Tabernacle Church of God of Altona. Friends may call at the church after 1 p.m. today, and until time of the funeral, which will be conducted by her brothers, Rev. Alvin Banks and Rev. J. C. Banks, and Rev. John Soule Sr. at the church at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday.

McKee-Miles Funeral Home of Garrett is in charge of arrangements. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett

Scott Fitch

Funeral services for Scott Alan Fitch, 4, who died Wednesday when he accidentally hung himself while playing in the back yard of his home in Butler, will be held in Martin, Ky.

The boy was pronounced dead on arrival at DeKalb Memorial Hospital Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. DeKalb County Coroner Dr. William Hathaway said the youth apparently became entangled in a rope he was playing with in his yard, fell from a tree, and accidently hung himself.

Scott Alan Fitch was born Feb. 13, 1977, in Auburn, the son of Verdin and Patty (Jeffery) Fitch. The parents survive, the mother residing at 412 W. Depot Street, Butler.

Also surviving are the paternal grandparents, Chester and Mae Fitch, LaGrange, and the maternal grandfather, Arthur Prater, Garrett, Ky.

Arrangements in Martin, Ky., are being handled by the Marion Funeral Home.

The Johnson Funeral Home in Butler handled arrangements locally.

Helen Anweiler

Helen R. Anweiler, 84, an Auburn native and sister of Marion Peckhart of Auburn, died at 8:22 p.m. Wednesday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Surviving are four sons, Robert, Fort Wayne, Donald, of Talbott, Tenn., Richard, Knoxville, Tenn., and Herbert, Jacksonville, Fla.; a daughter, Marilyn Friend, Fort Wayne; a brother, Marion Peckhart of Auburn; and three sisters, Edith Merriman and Annis Peckhart, Oakwood, Ohio, and Aileen McCaulley, Akron, Ohio.

Services will be 1 p.m. Saturday in D. O. McComb & Sons Foster Park Funeral Home, with calling from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. today. Burial will be in Greenlawn Memorial Park.

Preferred memorials are to the Lutheran Hour.

Ruth Grosh

Word has been received in Auburn of the death Nov. 18 of Ruth (Minke) Grosh, sister-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Grosh and Miss Thelma Grosh.

A former Auburn resident, Mrs. Grosh lived in Columbus, In., at the time of her death. She was employed in nursing, both in Auburn when she lived here, and in Columbus.

Mrs. Grosh was the widow of Glen Grosh, who died about eight years ago. They had resided for many years at Eighth and VanBuren Streets in Auburn.

Survivors include two sons, William, Chicago, and Greg, Columbus; and several grandchildren.

Funeral services were held last Friday at the First Lutheran Church, Columbus, where Mrs. Grosh was a member.

The Evening Star, November 21, 1981

Arthur Smith

Arthur A. Smith, 84, of Route 1, died at 4 p.m. Wednesday in Hollywood Medical Center, Hollywood, Fla.

Born in Kendallville Oct. 14, 1897, he was the son of John Peter and Mary Catherine (Reis) Smith. On June 17, 1926, in Kendallville, he married Juanita Tuttle, who survives.

Mr. Smith was a lifetime Kendallville area resident and farmer.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Roger (Imogene) Lirot of Hollywood, Fla., Barbar Krehl of Route 1, Corunna, and Mrs. William (Virginia) Percifield of Nashville; a sister, Mrs. Paul (Ruth) Eshelman; and a brother, Claude Smith, both of Kendallville; three grandsons and two great-grandchildren.

Mr. Smith was preceded in death by two sisters.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with burial in Lake View Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Saturday.

Kenneth Ulmer

PLEASANT LAKE — Kenneth L. Ulmer, 78, of Route 1, Pleasant Lake, died Sunday morning at his residence.

He was born Oct. 7, 1903, in Steuben County, the son of Albert and Estella (Alleshouse) Ulmer. On Dec. 31, 1927, he married Frances Mortorff, who survives.

Mr. Ulmer was a lifetime Steuben County resident and a member of Mt. Zion Methodist Church, Golden Lake; Pleasant Lake Lodge No. 78, F. & A.M., Pleasant Lake Order of Eastern Star; Pleasant Lake Lions Club; and Babies in the Woods Camping Club.

Surviving with his wife are a daughter, Mrs. Gayle (Phyllis) Grabill of Orland; two sons, Roger Ulmer of Columbus, Ohio, and Ross Ulmer of Clinton, Miss.; three sisters, Vivaleen Brook and Mrs. Roger (Wilma) Gilber, both of Angola, and Iona Slupe of Butler; three brothers, Wellington Ulmer of South Bend, Larry Ulmer of Azusa, Calif., and Wilbur Ulmer of Bradenton, Fla.; 10 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Mt. Zion Methodist Church, Golden Lake, with Rev. Reuben L. Zepick officiating.

Burial will be in Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Kistler Funeral Home, Hudson, from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday and after 1 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

A Masonic service will be held at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the funeral home.

Memorials may be directed to the Heart Fund.

Oscar Stump

GARRETT — Oscar F. Stump, 93, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., died Saturday at Holy Spirit Hospital, Camp Hill, Pa.

Mr. Stump was a farmer and formerly owned Stump Grain & Coal Co. of Garrett. He moved to Mechanicsburg, Pa. in 1973.

He was born in Garrett on Feb. 16, 1888 to John and Leah (Bechtel) Stump. He married Nellie May Wagner Feb. 4, 1911 in Garrett, and she preceded him in death on June 3, 1976.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Hoke, Avilla, and Mrs. Jesse Hoover, Greenfield, Ind.; a son, Willard, Canton, Ohio; two brothers, Carl, Nappanee, Ind., and Clayton, Helmet, Calif.; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Carroll, Elkhart, Ind.; seven grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

He was a member of Christian Union Brethren in Christ Church of Garrett, where his funeral will be held Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. Rev. C. R. Nissly and Rev. Rick Mailoux will officiate. Friends may call at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett, from 5-9 p.m. Tuesday. Burial will be at the Christian Union Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Messiah Village Chapel Fund at Mechanicsburg, Pa.

The Evening Star, November 24, 1981

Harold Meschberger

Harold H. Meschberger, 72, died Monday at 6 a.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. He had been ill for eight months and was a resident of the nursing home the past four months.

Mr. Meschberger had lived at 424 N. Cedar St., Auburn, where he moved following his retirement from Hawthorne Metal Products in Detroit five years ago.

He was born in DeKalb County Oct. 13, 1909 to John A. and Clara (Lung) Meschberger. He is survived by a brother, Lester, of Auburn; five nephews and three nieces.

He was a member of Church of Christ, Scientist, and a veteran of World War II.

His funeral will be at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home on Wednesday at 10:30 a.m., with Mrs. Betty Geiser officiating. Friends may call after 9:30 a.m. Wednesday at the funeral home. Burial will be in Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Former Rose-Hulman chairman dies

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (UPI) — Richard F. Bermann, 85, a former chairman of the Rose-Hulman Institute board of managers, died Monday at his home here.

Bergmann, a native of Logansport and a former resident of Indianapolis, was board chairman from 1961 to 1966.

Services will be Wednesday afternoon.

George Junior Carper

BRONSON, Mich. — George Junior Carper, 51, 245 State St., Bronson, died Monday at Borgess Hospital in Kalamazoo.

He was born in Auburn Nov. 22, 1930 to George and Mary (Beatty) Carper, and lived here until moving to Bronson about 1954. He was employed Ray Roussey Construction Company.

Mr. Carper was a member of the American Legion Post at Bronson, the Mystic Lodge No. 141, F&AM, and the United Commercial Travelers (for 25 years). He was a former member of the Bronson Jaycees.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Dennis (Teresa) Smoker and Millie Carper, both of Bronson; three grandchildren; four brothers, Forrest, Auburn; Floyd, St. Joe; Leo, of Spencerville; and Donald, Snover, Mich.; four sisters, Mrs. Peter (Dorothy) Harker, Sturgis, Mich.; Mrs. Dale (Mary Jane) Handsho, Wawaka, Ind.; Ms. Shirley McKean, Decatur; and Mrs. Max (Bonnie) Harper, St. Joe; two half-brothers, Alvin Herrick, Plymouth, Ind.; and Jim Webb, Bronson; and one half-sister, Mrs. Gladys Warstler, Auburn.

His funeral was today at 2 p.m. in Kubasiak-Kolcz Funeral Home, Bronson. Burial was in Bronson Cemetery.

Joe Dawson

Joe J. Dawson, 63, 110 N. Riley St., Kendallville, died Tuesday evening at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Fort Wayne. He had been ill with a heart ailment since June.

He was born Aug. 24, 1918, near Corunna to Mr. and Mrs. Estall Dawson. He married Lueta A. (Brand) Nisely in Fort Wayne on May 30, 1979. She survives.

He was retired, but had previously worked in the area of commodities. He was a member of the Auburn Nazarene Church and a veteran of World War II.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons, Dr. Thomas Dawson, Tawas, Mich., and James Dawson, Hawaii; one sister, Mrs. Marian (Rovine) Nordohl, Tucson, Ariz.; two stepsons, Allen Brand, Buffalo, N.Y., and Robert Brand, Findlay, Ohio; two stepdaughters, Nancy Hashberger, Meadow Lanes, Kendallville, and Alice F. Huffer, Indianapolis; one granddaughter and 9 step-grandchildren.

Preferred memorials are to the Noble County Heart Association.

Arrangements are pending at Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville.

Elmer A. Gaff

BUTLER — Elmer A. Gaff, 77, died Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. in Meadow Haven Nursing Home, where he had been a patient three weeks.

A retired farmer, Mr. Gaff lived at Route 2, Butler for many years. He was born June 11, 1904 to Oren and Maude Gaff, and married Bessie Mildred Teutsch on Jan. 2, 1926 in Butler. She preceded him in death on May 11 of this year.

He is survived by a son, Max, of Butler; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Friends may call at Johnson Funeral Home, Butler, from 2-9 p.m. today, 7-9 p.m. Thursday, and after 10 a.m. Friday.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the funeral home, with Rev. Larry Ort of St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Butler officiating. Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

John K. Stonebraker

CORUNNA — John K. Stonebraker, 51, formerly of Route 1, Corunna, was killed Tuesday, Nov. 24 in a light plane crash near his hometown of Des Moines, Iowa.

A plane Stonebraker was piloting from Des Moines to Kansas City crashed, due to icy conditions, in a field five miles east of Des Moines. His body was discovered by a hunter two hours after the accident.

He was born Jan. 5, 1930, to Willard and Gladys (Snyder) Stonebraker of Corunna, who survive. Other survivors include his wife, Sherry, and five children, Jo Ann Flint, LaGrange; Kathy Asterelin, South Bend; Mrs. Dan (Susan) Reed, Wolcottville; Sam, Corunna; and Angela Stonebraker, at home in Des Moines; a brother, Billy of Corunna; a sister, Donna Stock, Fort Wayne; and five step-children in the Des Moines area.

Mr. Stonebraker was a member of the First Christian Church of Des Moines, where his funeral will take place on Friday or Saturday. He also belonged to the Masonic Lodge of Des Moines.

Complete funeral arrangements are still pending.

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Joe Dawson

Joe J. Dawson, 63, 110 N. Riley St., Kendallville, died at 10:50 p.m. Tuesday in the Veterans Administration Hospital in Fort Wayne.

He was born Aug. 24, 1918, in Corunna. He married Lueta A. (Nisely) Brand, who survives, on May 30, 1979, in Fort Wayne.

He was a Kendallville resident for 2½ years. He was previously a resident of Wheaton, Ill.

Surviving besides his wife are two sons, Dr. Thomas Dawson of Tawas, Mich., and James Dawson of Hawaii; one sister, Mrs. Marvin (Rovine) Nordohl of Tuscon, Ariz.; two stepsons, Allen Brand of Buffalo, N.Y., and Robert Brand of Findlay, Ohio; two stepdaughters, Mrs. Nancy Hashberger of Kendallville and Mrs. Alice F. Huffer of Indianapolis; one granddaughter and nine stepgrandchildren.

Services will be held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Rev. Carl Greek of Auburn Nazarene Church and Rev. Terry Johnson of Kendallville Nazarene Church will officiate.

Calling is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Noble County Heart Association.

Ira Strite

WATERLOO — Ira H. Strite, 90, Route 1, Waterloo, died at 7:15 a..m. today in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient three days.

A retired Smithfield Township farmer, he was born April 4, 1891 in Putnam County, Ohio to Isaac and Susan (Myers) Strite. He married Bessie Pitney on Sept. 27, 1918 in Putnam County, Ohio. She preceded him in death April 18, 1966.

Surviving is a son, Harlan, of Waterloo; three daughters, Mrs. Wanda Gordon, Churubusco, Mrs. Susan Bosselman, Fort Wayne and Mrs. Mona Shaw, Auburn; one brother, Noah, Continental, Ohio; 17 grandchildren, 26 great-grandchildreen, and eight great-great grandchildren. A son, four brothers and three sisters preceded him in death.

Friends may call at Feller Funeral Home from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Saturday. Services will be at 2 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home, with burial in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Arnold E. Seifert

GARRETT — Arnold E. Seifert, 63, 611 S. Franklin St., died unexpectedly Friday afternoon while working on a painting project.

He was owner-operator of Seifert Paint & Wallpaper, secretary of the board of directors of the Garrett Chamber of Commerce and chairman of the Garrett Board of Appeals.

Mr. Seifert had suffered a heart attack three years ago.

He was a World War II veteran and a member of the Garrett American Legion and St. Joseph's Catholic Church and its Holy Name Society.

He was the son of Frank and Thelma (Teders) Seifert and was married May 23, 1941, in Garrett to Donas S. Gafken.

His wife and mother survive, along with three brothers, Thomas of Fort Wayne; Howard, Ball Lake, Hamilton; and Charles, Pittsford, N.Y.; and three sisters, Mrs. Eugene Hilker, Chatham, N.J.; and Mrs. Benjamin Koch and Mrs. Virgil Shank, both of Fort Wayne.

The body is at McKee-Miles Funeral Home, where friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday.

A wake service is scheduled for 7 p.m. Sunday in the funeral home and final rites will be conducted at 10 a.m. Monday in St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Rev. Adam Schmitt officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

St. Joseph's School is designated for preferred memorials.

George Saunders

WATERLOO — George LeRoy Saunders, 41, died at 10 a.m. Friday in Sarasota (Fla.) Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Saunders was a native of Waterloo, where he was born March 4, 1940, and a former resident of Goshen. He had resided the past 10 years in Fruitville, Fla. He had undergone open heart surgery 18 months ago.

Surviving are a son, Larry, Goshen; his father, John Wilbur Saunders, Sarasota; his mother, Mrs. Orlena (Gump) Saunders, Auburn; a brother, Wayne, Goshen, and a sister, Mrs. Warren Stahly, Sarasota.

The body is at the Rieth, Rohrer & Ehret Funeral Home, Goshen, where friends may call after 7 p.m. Monday, as well as Tuesday afternoon and evening.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the funeral hone, with burial in Oakridge Cemetery, Goshen.

William P. Worster

GARRETT — William P. Worster, 77, 1108 S. Randolph St., died at 8:40 a.m. Friday in Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient since Nov. 18.

He was a retired Baltimore & Ohio Railroad employee, working for the railroad from 1923 until 1965.

Mr. Worster was born Aug. 23, 1904, in Warren, a son of Columbus and Lilly (Shull) Worster, and had resided in Garrett since 1923.

He was married March 30, 1925, in Hillsdale, Mich. to Violet Turney.

His wife survives, along with a daughter, Mrs. Robert (Phyllis) Talley, Toledo, Ohio; a son, Billy, Carleton, Mich.; four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Cecil and Elbridge, both of Warren, and a sister, Mrs. Verlin Dalrymple, Uniondale.

Mr. Worster was a member of the First Church of Christ, where services will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Monday with James Platner, pastor of the church, officiating. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

The body is at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, where friends may call after 2 pm. Sunday.

Lavon D. Smith

HAMILTON — Lavon D. "Smitty" Smith, 55, of Hamilton, died Sunday afternoon at his residence.

He was born March 13, 1926, in Hamilton to Benjamin F. and Gertrude (Oberlin) Smith. On May 9, 1948, in Edon, Ohio, he married Gloria Merifield, who survives.

Mr. Smith was a lifetime resident of Hamilton and owner of the Mixing Bowl in Hamilton. He was also a member of the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Surviving with his wife are his stepfather, Oren Rude of Fremont; two daughters, Mrs. Thomas (Susan) Wenzel of Angola and Mrs. Thomas (Sandra) Walker of St. Joe; a sister, Veneta Smith of Portland; two stepsisters and two stepbrothers; and two grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Hamilton United Methodist Church with Rev. Ray Squibb officiating.

Burial will be in Hamilton Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Wilson Funeral Home today from 2-9 p.m.

The family asks that memorials be made to the Hamilton United Methodist Church.

Publisher's father dies in South Bend

SOUTH BEND — George Mohler Studebaker Witwer, 79, father of Evening Star publisher George O. Witwer, died Sunday at 5:40 p.m. in Memorial Hospital, South Bend, where he had been a patient since Friday.

Born June 15, 1902, in South Bend, he was the son of George Mohler Witwer and Mary Elizabeth Violette. On March 10, 1928, he married Jane Osburn in Owosso, Mich. Mrs. Witwer survives.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Violette) Sutton, Wilmington, Del.; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

A sister, Ann Violette Witwer, preceded him in death.

Mr. Witwer was director emeritus of the National Bank & Trust Co. of South Bend and a former officer of the St. Joseph Bank & Trust Co. He owned his own insurance company from the 1940s to 1952 and later was affiliated with the Kelley-Witwer Real Estate Co. He currently was vice president of Kendallville News-Sun Inc. and the Kendallville Publishing Co.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, a former director of the Y.M.C.A. and a director of the Northern Indiana Historical Society. He also was a member of the Portage Lodge 675 F&AM, the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (A.A.S.R.), the ORAK Shrine, a member of the University Club of Notre Dame, Zeta Psi fraternity and the South Bend Country Club and Fourlakes Country Club.

Mr. Witwer, a lifetime South Bend resident, was a graduate of South Bend High School. He attended Phillips Academy in Andover, Mass., and was a graduate of the University of Illinois.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday at 3 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 333 West Colfax Ave., South Bend, with Rev. Philip J. Sorensen, D.M., officiating.

There will be no visitation. Memorials may be made to the donor's choice.

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Theresa Friedel

Theresa C. Friedel, 87, died Wednesday in Sacred Heart Home, Avilla, where she had been a patient for six years.

Mrs. Friedel was a 45-year resident of the Auburn area, most recently living on Jefferson Street.

She was born Aug. 23, 1894 in Cecile, Ohio to Phillip and Anna (Kessler) McCarthy. She married John A. Friedel on Nov. 17, 1911 in Bryan, Ohio. Mr. Friedel and her parents preceded her in death.

She was a housewife, and was a member of the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn, and the church's Rosary Sodality.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Peachey, Kendallville; one son, Ralph Friedel, Auburn; 20 grandchildren; 37 great-grandchildren; and four great-great grandchildren. Two sons, one grandchild, and one great-grandchild preceded her in death.

Services will be Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel, and at 2 p.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, Auburn. Rev. Henry R. Mascotte will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel today from 2-9 p.m. A wake service will be held in the funeral home at 7:30 tonight.

December 2, 1981 No obituaries
December 3, 1981 No obituaries

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Ronald Rice

KENDALLVILLE — Ronald Rice, 68, 208 E. Grove St., Kendallville, died at 5:45 p.m. Friday in McCray Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 10, 1913, he was the son of Roy and Lola (Scarlett) Rice. He married Charlotte Swartz, June 6, 1936, in Columbia City. She survives.

Mr. Rice had lived in Kendallville since 1937, moving there from Jefferson Township.

Other survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Graydon (Cheryl) Nowels, 511 N. Wood St., Kendallville; one son, Charles L. Rice, 425 Water St., Kendallville; one sister, Mrs. Marilou Stiffney, Albion; one brother, Max Rice, Avilla, and three grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home with Rev. Kenneth Napier of the First Presbyterian Church officiating with assistance from Rev. William Kaiser of the Faith United Methodist Church.

Burial will follow in Lake View Cemetery.

Calling is from 7-9 p.m. Saturday and 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Sunday. The casket will be closed at 1 p.m. Monday prior to the service.

The family requests memorials be made to the American Lung Association, 802 W. Wayne St., Fort Wayne, or the Noble County Heart Association.

Phyllis Thomas

WATERLOO — Phyllis L. Thomas, 66, Wesley Park Apartments, Auburn, died at 4:30 p.m. Friday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital where she had been admitted three hours earlier.

Born Oct. 21, 1915 in Grabill, she was the daughter of Jay and Amanda (Newhouser) VanZile. She married Stanley E. Thomas June 7, 1933, in Auburn. He preceded her in death June 10, 1966.

Mrs. Thomas was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Auburn.

Survivors are one daughter, Mrs. Bernard (Lorraine) Muzzillo, Auburn; one son, Stephen Thomas, Auburn; two brothers, Meridith VanZile, Garrett; and Robert Joe VanZile, Avilla; and six grandchildren.

Services will be in the Feller Funeral Home at 2 p.m. Monday with Rev. J. Wilbur Yates officiating.

Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery, Auburn.

Calling is at the funeral home after 2 p.m. Sunday.

Charles Ervin

GARRETT — Charles W. Ervin, 64, 809 S. Randolph St., died at 11:20 p.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Born Oct. 2, 1917, he was the son of Clyde and Clara (Grischke) Ervin. He married Maxine Barnhart Sept. 23, 1942, in Texas. Both his wife and mother survive.

A lifetime resident of Garrett, Mr. Ervin was a veteran of Wordl War II and worked 25 years as a Purdential Insurance representative. He retired in 1976.

Other survivors are two daughters, Mrs. Dan (Linda) Stephen, Garrett and Mrs. Hugh (Jane) Taylor, Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Helen Pence, Bryan, Ohio, and Mrs. Marie Sapp, Angola; one brother, Paul Ervin, Butler; and five grandchildren.

Services will be Monday at 1:30 p.m. in the Garrett Presbyterian Church with Rev. Allen T. Reed and Rev. Wayne E. Smith officiating.

Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery with military graveside services by the Garrett American Legion and VFW.

Calling is after 2 p.m. and noon Monday at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Charles Lauer

GARRETT — Charles E. Lauer, 65, 1328 S. Randolph St., Garrett, died at 2:01 p.m. Friday in the Fort Wayne Lutheran Hospital were he had been a hospitalized since Nov. 24.

Born Jan. 16, 1916 in Avilla, he was the son of Frank and Sethern (Diehm) Lauer. He married Golda Erdly March 24, 1948 in Fort Wayne. She survives.

Mr. Lauer, a disabled World War II veteran, was member of the American Legion and Disabled American Veterans.

Other survivors are two sisters, Mrs. Ralph (Anna) Keller, Avilla, and a sister from Battle Creek, Mich.

Services will be Monday at 10 a.m. in the McKee-Miles Funeral Home in Garrett, with Rev. Dean Bearman of the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla, officiating.

Military grave site services will be held in Lutheran Cemetery, Avilla.

Calling is after 2 p.m. Sunday.

The family prefers memorials go to the Immanuel Lutheran Church, Avilla.

Melvin Montgomery

GARRETT — Melvin Montgomery, 49, Route 2, Avilla, died this morning at 12:45 a.m. at his home.

Born Sept. 11, 1932, in Magoffin, Ky, he was the son of John and Martha (Caldwell) Montgomery. He married Eunice Johnson Nov. 26, 1956, in Jackson, Ky. His wife and mother, living in Saylersville, Ky, survive.

Mr. Montgomery was a resident of the area the past 24 years and has been an employee of Newnam Foundry in Kendallville for 16 years.

Other survivors are one son, Melvin Montgomery Jr., at home; three daughters, Amy and Beverly, both at home and Mrs. Earl (Nora) Terry, Route 2, Kendallville; four sisters, Mrs. Hazel Wager, Ohio; and Mrs. Genioa Williams, Mrs. Reva Fugate and Mrs. Lena Howard, all of Saylersville; and four brothers, Ellis, Eldon and Pat Montgomery, all of Saylersville and Ollie Montgomery, Waterloo.

Services will be 1:30 p.m Wednesday in the House of Prayer, Dowling Street extended, Kendallville, with Rev. J.C. Banks and Rev. Emery Gibson, officiating.

Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery, Garrett.

Calling will begin at 6 p.m. Monday at the House of Prayer and will continue all day Tuesday.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by McKee-Miles Funeral Home, Garrett.

Julie Edwards

GARRETT — Julia F. (Zeigler) Edwards, 81, 101 N. Taylor Rd., Garrett, died Saturday at 11:28 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been hospitalized for one day.

Mrs. Edwards was a housewife, and spent most of her life in Auburn. She was Born Aug. 7, 1900 in Williams County, Ohio to Henry and Mary (Lumpp) Zeigler.

Surviving are six daughters, Mrs. Robert (Pauline) Selking, Decatur, Ind.; Mrs. George (Berniece) James, Garrett; Mrs. Hollis (Hilda) Akins, St. Joe; Mrs. Robert (Donna) Deane, Fort Wayne; Mrs. William (Maybelle) Blankenbeckler, Defiance, Ohio; Mrs. Ellis (Carol Ann) Baker, Bryan, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. George (Mildred) Thimlar, Waterloo; Mrs. Ralph (Lydia) Van Auken, Montpelier, Ohio; one brother, William W. Zeigler, Fort Wayne; 22 grandchildren, and 29 great-grandchildren.

One son and one daughter preceded her in death.

Her funeral will be Wednesday at 11 a.m. in D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel. Rev. Larry Jeffries, pastor of Indian Village Church of God, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call Tuesday from 2-9 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Memorials to the donor's favorite charity are preferred.

Florence Watkins

Florence E. Watkins, 86, Morningstar Road, Auburn, died today at 4 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital. She had been a patient for one month.

Mrs. Watkins had lived in Auburn the past two months with her daughter, Marie Bay. She was born in Birmingham, Mich. May 9, 1894, to John and Lilly (Houghton) Crawford, and married Fenton J. Watkins in Birmingham Dec. 31, 1916. She was a member of the Methodist Church of Birmingham.

Surviving are her children, Marie Bay, Auburn; Edward Watkins, Birmingham, Mich.; Winnie Walker, Flintridge, Calif.; Carolyn Pierce, Tryon, N. C.; and Joyce Bates, Redwood City, Calif.; 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Her funeral will be Thursday in the Bell Chapel of the William Hamilton Co. Funeral Home, Birmingham. Burial will be in the Greenwood Cemetery, Birmingham.

Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements. Preferred memorials are to the charity of the donor's choice.

Mabel Sternburgh

Mabel L. (Mamie) Sternburgh, 77, of 1521 S. Hazel St., Auburn, died Sunday at 1:30 a.m. in Dekalb Memorial Hospital.

She was born Jan. 15, 1904, to Page and Ella (Feller) Hathaway in Kaiser Township, Garrett, and married Hugh Sternburgh Dec. 15, 1926 in South Bend. He preceded her in death in 1957.

She was employed as cashier and salesperson at the Auburn Marina for 25 years prior to her retirement.

Surviving are a step-daughter, Mrs. Ruth Gallagher, of Riverside, Calif.; two brothers, Elmer Hathaway and Charles Hathaway, both of Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Lavon Eberly, of Auburn, and Maxine Berhalter, of Kendallville; 3 grand-daughters, and 4 great-granddaughters. Three sisters preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, with Jim Platner of the Garrett Church of Christ officiating. Mrs. Sternburgh was a member of the church.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 4 p.m. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery at Garrett.

Carrie Donat

BUTLER — Carrie V. Donat, 72, 229 Walnut St., died at 8 p.m. Monday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. She had been hospitalized one week and in failing health the past month.

Mrs. Donat was born Jan. 26, 1909, at Harlan, Ind., to Delbert and Myrtle Kees. She lived in Butler the past eight years.

Surviving are her husband Ray; one daughter, Mrs. Doris B. Kline, Butler; one son, Donald R., Grabill; three brothers, Dallas and Marion, both of Harlan and Glenn of Hicksville, Ohio; eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Two sisters and one grandson preceded her in death.

Friends may call at Brown Funeral Home, Hicksville, Ohio, after 7 p.m. Wednesday, after 12 noon Thursday and after 9 a.m. Friday.

Services will be Friday at 1 p.m. in the funeral home. Rev. Dennis Kirchner will officiate. Burial will be in Scipio Cemetery, Allen County, Ind.

Edith M. Bartels

GARRETT — Edith M. Bartels, 94, a longtime resident of Garrett, died at 2:15 a.m. today in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn. She had been a patient there since Jan. 30, 1980.

Mrs. Bartels was a housewife, and formerly lived at the Rosedorff Apartments in Garrett. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Garrett.

She was born April 23, 1887 in Glinke, Germany to Fred and Minnie Witt, and married Carl Bartels in Garrett in 1906.

Surviving are two sons, Elmer and Harold, both of Garrett; 10 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren, and 17 great-great-grandchildren.. Three children, Mrs. Viola Smith, Mildred Bartels, and Chet Bartels preceded her in death.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Services will be in the funeral home at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, with Rev. Robert Chidister of the First Baptist Church of Garrett officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.

Jo Ann Schlosser

Jo Ann Schlosser, 48, 219 N. Baxter St., Auburn, died Monday at 7:15 p.m. in Parkview Hospital, Fort Wayne.

Death was due to a cerebral hemorrhage. She had been in failing health the past year and was hospitalized for three months.

Mrs. Schlosser was born Aug. 5, 1933, in Garrett to Harry and Marie (Andrews) Mitchell. She married Ned Schlosser on May 22, 1952, in Garrett. Her husband survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Bruce and Greg, both of Auburn; three daughters, Brenda, Indianapolis and Susan and Beth, both at home; her mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hyman, Garrett; stepbrothers Jerry Hyman, Fort Wayne; John Hyman, Rome City; Larry Hyman, Garrett; and Gerry Hyman, Coloma, Mich.; a stepsister, Margaret Hyman, Garrett.

Her father preceded her in death in 1965.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 2 p.m. Wednesday.

Services will be Thursday at 1 p.m. in the First Church of Christ, King Street, Garrett. James Platner will officiate. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

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Donald Morton

BRYAN, Ohio - Donald A. Morton, 84, a lifelong resident of Williams County, Ohio, died this morning in Bryan Community Hospital, where he had been a patient for one week.

He was the father of Russell Morton, an Auburn auto dealer.

A retired farmer, Mr. Morton had lived at 927 W. High St., Bryan for several years.

He was born Sept. 11, 1897 in Williams County, Ohio to Enos and Ida (May) Morton. He married Belle Bever Sept. 27, 1918 at Williams Center, Ohio. She survives.

He was a member of the United Methodist Mount Olive Church for 65 years, the Sodom Grange, and the Bryan Senior Citizens Club.

Surviving in addition to his wife, Belle, are a son and daughter-in-law, Russell and Mildred Morton of Auburn; two brothers, Charles E. Morton, Bryan, and Lawrence Morton, Hicksville; three grandchildren, Gary L., Randall R., and Mark A. Morton, all of Auburn; and two great grandchildren, Holly and Jason Morton of Auburn.

Friends may call at the Oberlin & Ford Memorial Funeral Home in Bryan after 2 p.m. Thursday. Services will be at 2 p.m. Friday in the chapel of the funeral home, with Rev. David Cottrell officiating. Burial will be in Brown Cemetery, Bryan.

December 10, 1981 No obituaries
December 11, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, December 12, 1981

Dora Sliger

Dora E. Sliger, 84, formerly of Route 1, Garrett, died Thursday at 11:35 p.m. in Betz Nursing Home, Auburn.

She had been a patient there for 11 months.

Mrs. Sliger was born Jan. 21, 1897 in Richland Township, DeKalb County. Her parents were Frank and Barbara (Haynes) Eldridge. On Aug. 26, 1924, she married R.D. Sliger in Richland Township. Her husband preceded her in death.

She was a housewife, and a member of Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren.

Surviving are one son, Joseph D. Sliger, Route 1, Garrett; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. One son preceded her in death.

A memorial service will be held Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in Cedar Lake Church of the Brethren, at County Roads 15 and 28. Rev. Lee Kinsey will officiate.

Memorials to the Gideons or the Church World Service Heifer Project are preferred.

The Evening Star, December 14, 1981

Herman Diederich

Herman H. "Jack" Diederich, 90, 1 0 Walnut St., Butler, died Saturday at 8 p.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Diederich was born Dec. 11, 1891, in Garrett. He was married Nov. 25, 1920, to Anna Zimmerman, who survives.

He was a retired employee of the Auburn Foundry.

Survivors include three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Loretta) Raub, Huntington Beach, Cal., Mrs. Herbert (Barbara) Hoffmeyer, Route 3, Auburn, and Mrs. Robert (Jackie) Swain, Cantonment, Fla.; two brothers, Max Diederich, and Harry Diederich, both of Garrett; two sisters, Mrs. Alma Weimer, Warsaw, and Mrs. Leona Niameier, Frazier, Mich.; five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

One son, one daughter, three brothers and five sisters preceded Mr. Diederich in death.

Mr. Diederich was a member of the Waterloo United Methodist Church.

Funeral services will be Wednesday at 2 p.m. at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, Rev. John Wortinger, pastor of the Butler United Methodist Church, officiating. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m.

The Evening Star, December 15, 1981

Ruby Barnhart

Ruby Barnhart, 87, died Saturday at 8:50 a.m. in St. Anne's Home, Fort Wayne, where she had r sided for the past two years.

Mrs. Barnhart retired 18 years ago from the Auburn Rubber Company. She formerly lived at 349 McKinnie Ave., Fort Wayne.

Survivors include five cousins, Basil McCoy and Gale Gaff, both of Fort Wayne; Kermit McCoy, Churubusco; Delida Knafel, LaOtto; and Oakie Hite, Ligonier.

A memorial service will be conducted Saturday at 1:30 p.m. in the Auburn Church of the Brethren. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the Auburn Church of the Brethren Women's Fellowship.

December 16, 1981 No obituaries

Merrill Rider

GARRETT — Merrill E. Rider, 82, 206 E. King St., died Wednesday at 8:52 a.m. in DeKalb Memorial Hospital, Auburn. He had been a patient for one day.

Mr. Rider was a conductor for the B&O Railroad, retiring in 1964. He was born March 3, 1899 in Pierceton, Ind. to John W. and Orrell (Snodgrass) Rider. He married Irene Bills in June 1922 at Auburn. She preceded him in death on Nov. 25, 1979.

Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Pat (Kathryn) O'Brien, Fort Wayne; one sister, Mrs. Russell (Maudline) Updyke, San Diego, Calif.; and one grandchild.

One sister, Margaret Hootman, preceded him in death.

Services will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in McKee-Miles Funeral Home. Officiating will be Rev. Allen Reed, pastor of the United Presbyterian Church, where Mr. Rider was a member. Burial will be in Christian Union Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 7-9 p.m. tonight and on Friday from 12:30 p.m. until the funeral.

Edith Wallace

Edith S. Wallace, 74, who formerly lived south of Auburn, died at 7:30 a.m. today in Betz Nursing Home.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo.

Ann Gardlik

BUTLER — Ann M. Gardlik, 55, Route 1, Butler, died Wednesday at 12:23 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne, where she had been a patient for one week.

Employed as a social worker at Meadow Haven Nursing Home in Butler, Mrs. Gardlik had resided in the Butler area for the past seven years. Prior to that, she lived in Fort Wayne for 20 years.

She was born Oct. 4, 1926, in Corry, Pa., the daughter of Mike and Irene (Poldalski) Bailey.

On Jan. 13, 1951, she married Edward J. Gardlik in Corry, Pa. He survives.

Also surviving are a son, John M. Gardlik, Cincinnati, Ohio; a daughter, Phyllis A. Gardlik, at home; three brothers, Victor Bailey, Florida; Stanley Bailey and Michael Bailey, both of Corry, Pa.; one sister, Nettie Smith, Union City, Pa.; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Gardlik was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Auburn.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 10:30 a.m. in the D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel, followed by funeral mass at 11 a.m. in Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, with Rev. Henry Mascotte officiating. Burial will be in the Catholic Cemetery, Auburn.

Friends may call at the funeral home Friday from 2-5 and 7-9 p. . A wake service will be held at the funeral home Friday at 7:45 p.m.

D. Claron Hamilton, Warner executive

D. Claron Hamilton, 79, 712 N. Main St., Auburn, died at 4 p.m. Thursday in DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Hamilton was a vice-president of Borg-Warner in Auburn when he retired after 44 years of service. He worked for Borg-Warner in Muncie and Auburn during his career.

He had been ill with cancer for a short time, and was hospitalized for one week.

He was born in Parker City, Ind. on April 17, 1902 to the late Todd and Jennie (Linder) Hamilton.

His married Mildred Sharp in 1925, and she preceded him in death in 1955.

He married Janet L. Sellew in Auburn in 1956, and she survives.

Other survivors include: a daughter, Sue Hamilton South, Auburn; two stepdaughters, Margaret Sellew, Boulder, Col.; and Charlotta Decker, Grand Rapids, Mich.; two brothers, Mahlon Hamilton, 401 N. Union St., Auburn; and Emil Hamilton, Muncie; and eight grandchildren, Jeffrey Todd South, Karen South Sibery, Cathy South, Janet Decker Krueger, David Decker, Mary Decker Pray, Stuart Decker and Ezra J. Smith II.

Mr. Hamilton was an elder in the Presbyterian Church of Auburn. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Parker, Ind., the Scottish Rite of Fort Wayne and the Mizpah Temple of Shrine.

His funeral will be Monday at 2 p.m. in Auburn Presbyterian Church. Rev. Ron Oglesbee, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Friends may call at Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home after 3 p.m. Sunday. Memorial contributions to Auburn Presbyterian Church or to DeKalb County Hospice of Hope are preferred.

Edith Wallace

Edith S. Wallace, 74, Route 4, Auburn, died Thursday at 7:30 a.m. at the Betz Nursing Home. She had been a patient there for 13 months.

Miss Wallace was born on Sept. 21, 1907 in Sedan, to Newton J. and Myrtle E. (Reeder) Wallace. She belonged to the Maple Grove United Methodist Church.

Surviving are one brother, Jay Wallace, Route 4, Auburn; and three sisters, Mrs. Maynard (Elizabeth) Fee, Waterloo; Mrs. Ronald (Irene) Rynearson, Route 4, Auburn, and Mrs. Roy (Leon) Riggs, Butler.

Two brothers, Charles and Ernest, preceded her in death.

Services will be Saturday at 2 p.m. in Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo. Officiating will be Rev. Dewey R. Findley, pastor of Maple Grove United Methodist Church. Burial will be at Cedar Lake Cemetary.

Friends may call at the funeral home today after 2 p.m.

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Frank Krum

Frank Krum, 88, a lifelong resident of the Auburn area, died at 12:30 p.m. Friday in Betz Nursing Home.

Mr. Krum was a farm laborer all his life, a World War I veteran and a member of Barker's Chapel United Methodist Church. He was born Dec. 3, 1893, in Ashley, the son of Eugene and Della (Mann) Krum.

Surviving are six nieces, Mrs. June Holmes of Willcox, Ariz., Mrs. Carl (Betty) McKeever of Kendallville, Mrs. Dale (Theda) Neukom of Garrett, Mrs. John (Roma) Ludwig of Granger, Miss Thela Neucomet, Gresham, Ore., and Mrs. Wanette Jones, Sacramento, Calif., and two nephews, Lester Newcomet, Gresham, and Claire Newcomet, Seattle, Wash.

The body is at the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo, where friends may call after 12 noon Monday.

Services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Monday in the funeral home with Rev. Russell Tague, pastor of Barker's Chapel Church, officiating. Burial will be in Waterloo Cemetery.

The church is designated for memorials.

Olive Treesh

Olive M. Treesh, 100, 8300 Maysville Rd., Fort Wayne, died at 3:15 a.m. today at Golden Years Homestead in Fort Wayne. She had been ailing approximately one year.

She was born Sept. 28, 1881, in Elkhart, to Jacob and Mary E. (Roadgap) Lehman. She married J. Eugene Treesh in Goshen Dec. 24, 1905. He preceded her in death on April 9, 1975.

She resided in Fort Wayne the past 10 years; previously living in South Milford.

She was a retired school teacher and a member of the South Milford Church of Christ.

Surviving are three sons, Gordon O. Treesh of Goshen; Ronald W. Treesh of Tipton; and Paul L. Treesh, Route 1, Cree Lake, Kendallville; nine grandchildren, 23 great grandchildren and 7 great-great grandchildren.

One daughter preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Berhalter-Hutchins Funeral Home in Kendallville. Rev. Terry Clark of South Milford Church of Christ will officiate. He will be assisted by Rev. Kenneth Wellman, formerly of South Milford Church of Christ.

Calling is from 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Tuesday at Berhalter-Hutchins.

Burial will be in Corunna Cemetery.

Preferred memorial are to South Milford Church of Christ.

Warren John

Warren L. John, 60, Route 5, Crooked Lake, Angola, died Sunday, Dec. 20 at 12:01 a.m. at Lutheran Hospital in Fort Wayne, where he had been a patient for nine months.

Mr. John was born in Butler on August 11, 1921 to Elmer and Fern (Metcalf) John. He was married in 1973 to June Ormerod who survives.

Also surviving are three sons David John, Auburn, Layton John, Auburn, and Michael Gevin, Ft. Wayne; one daughter, Cheryl Sandgren, Calif.; a step-mother, Mildred John, Auburn; and three grandchildren.

He was a sales manager for the Oren-Van Aman Company. He was a veteran of W.W. II and a member of the First United Methodist Church of Auburn. Mr. John was a member of the Elks Lodge and was the Past Exalted Ruler of the lodge.

There will be an Elks memorial service at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Dilgard, Cline & Southern Funeral Home. Friends may call at the funeral home after 3 p.m. Tuesday.

The funeral will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday at the First United Methodist Church Auburn. Rev. Carl Kirkman and Rev. J. Wilbur Yates will officiate. Burial will follow in. Cedar Chapel Cemetery.

Barbara Grimm

Barbara J. Grimm, 54, 280 Franklin St., Waterloo, died Saturday at 6 p.m. in Parkview Memorial Hospital, Fort Wayne. She had been ill for two years.

Mrs. Grimm was born May 12, 1927, in Connecticut to Oliver and Ruth (Cook) Chappel. Her father survives and is living in North Carolina.

She married Dale H. Grimm on Feb. 12, 1951. He surivives.

Also surviving are three daughters, Joyce Anne Smith, Hudson, Diane Deetz, Auburn, and Gale Coulson, Garrett; two sons, Steve Grimm, Waterloo, and Bruce Grimm, at home, and three grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 4 p.m. today.

The funeral will be Tuesday 2 p.m. Tuesday at Feller Funeral Home. Bob Dexter, of the First United Methodist Church, Waterloo will officiate. Burial will follow in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Wilma Kruger

Wilma M. Kruger, 60, 119 N. Franklin St., Garrett, died Friday, Dec. 18, at 10:51 a.m. at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Kruger was born in DeKalb County on Aug. 14, 1921, to Clair and Mabel (Johnson) Wooleber. She married Wilbur J. Kruger Sept. 23, 1939. He survives.

Also surviving are five sons, Darrell Kruger, Garrett, Jack Kruger, Garrett, Joe Kruger, Auburn, Mike Kruger, Auburn, and Ralph Kruger, South Bend; four daughters, Mrs. Henry (Phyllis) Nehring, Coloma, Mich., Mrs. Jerry (Sharon) Brown, Garrett, Mrs. Marilyn Back, Garrett, and Patricia Kruger, Garrett; and 19 grandchildren. One son, Dale, preceeded her in death.

Mrs. Kruger was employed by Essex Corporation for nine and one-half years. She was a member of the First Christian Church, Auburn.

Friends may call at the McKee-Miles Funeral Home after 2 p.m. today.

Funeral services will be at the funeral home Tuesday at 2 p.m. with Rev. Clarence Bangs of the First Christian Church, Auburn officiating.

Burial will be in the Christian Union Cemetery.

John Willard

John R. Willard, 53, 402 W. Walnut St., Butler, died Sunday, at noon of an apparent heart attack while working at the Dana Corporation plant in Auburn.

Mr. Willard was born Nov. 30, 1928, in Hamilton to Henry and May (Sketchley) Willard. Mrs. Willard survives in Butler.

He married Phyllis Henderson on Sept. 6, 1953 in Waterloo. She also survives.

Also surviving are two sons, Henry Willard, Butler, and Arron Willard, at home; one daughter, Ida May Fender, Butler; three foster children, Susie Andrews, Coldwater, Mich., Juneva Hefty, Hamilton, and Tom Haupert, Butler; one brother, Charles Willard, New Martinsville, West Virginia; one sister, Alice Henderson, Waterloo; and 11 grandchildren.

Mr. Willard was an inspector at the Dana Corporation plant in Auburn for 33 years. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a member of the Butler Chruch of Christ.

Calling for friends will be at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo from 4-9 p.m. Tuesday and at the Butler Church of Christ from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday.

The funeral will be at the Butler Church of Christ at 2 p.m. Wednesday with Fred Hawn officiating. Burial will follow in the Big Run Cemetery.

Waldo Bowman

Waldo M. Bowman, 81, 505 W. Maple Street, Waterloo, died at 5 p.m. Monday, at DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

He was born on Januaray 15, 1900 to Col. Stephen A and Cora (Fisher) Bowman in Waterloo. He was married to Mary Speer on June 6, 1926 in Waterloo. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, Marvin Eugene Bowman, Palos Verdes Estates, Calif.; two daughters, Mary Lou Tuck, Eden Prairie, Minn., and Roberta Ann Enama, Orlando, Fla.; one brother, Wilbur Bowman, Kenosha, Wisc.; and six grandchildren.

Four brothers and a sister preceeded him in death.

Mr. Bowman worked for the New York Central Railroad as a railway postal clerk from 1922-1958. He was a veteran of W.W. I and a member of the Waterloo First United Methodist Church.

Calling for friends will be at the Feller Funeral Home from 2-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday. Calling will also be at the Waterloo First United Methodist Church from noon - 2 p.m. on Thursday.

Funeral services will be at the church at 2 p.m. on Thursday with Rev. Bob Dexter officiating.

Burial will follow in the Waterloo Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the DeKalb Memorial Hospital.

Warren John

Preferred memorials for Warren L. John, 60, who died Sunday, at Lutheran Hospital, Fort Wayne, are to the Elks National Foundation in care of the Auburn Elks Lodge.

Mr. John, a 16 year resident of Route 5, Crooked Lake, had been hospitalized for nine months.

Edna Lederman

Edna M. Lederman, 66, Route 1, Spencerville, died at 3:25 a.m. Tuesday in her home. She had been ill for 23 years.

Mrs. Lederman was born July 7, 1915 in Allen County Simon and Mahilda (Klopfenstein) Yoder. A life-long resident of the area, she was married to Elmer Lederman who surives.

Also surviving are a son, Donald Lederman, Route 1, Spencerville; a daughter, Mrs. Dave Graber, Kalamazoo, Mich.; a sister, Mrs. Delbert (Edith) Baxter, Paulding, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Mrs. Lederman was a member of the North Leo Mennonite Church.

Friends may call at the Baidinger and Walter Funeral Home in Spencerville after 2 p.m. Wednesday and at the North Leo Mennonite Church Thursday from noon to 2 p.m.

Funeral services will be at the North Leo Mennonite Church at 2 p.m. Thursday with Ray Erb, church pastor, officiating. Burial will follow in the Leo Memorial Cemetery.

Preferred memorials are to the W.M.S.C. of the North Leo Mennonite Church.

The Evening Star, December 23, 1981

Wallace Miles

Wallace L. Miles, 69, Route 1, St. Joe, died this morning at 8:30 a.m. in his home.

Mr. Miles was born Aug. 14, 1912 in Noble County to William and Lottie (Snowbarger) Miles. He married Ruth Baker on Aug. 24, 1950 in Spencerville. She survives.

Also surviving are a son, William Miles, at home; and three sisters, Mrs. Effie Humbarger, Auburn, Mrs. Pearl Knisely, Auburn, and Mrs. Helen Smith, Waterloo. One brother preceeded him in death.

Mr. Wallace retired from the Rieke Corporation after working there for 37 years. He was also an active Concord Township farmer. He was a veteran of W.W. II where he served in the infantry. He attended the Concord United Methodist Church.

Calling for friends will be at the Feller Funeral Home in Waterloo after 4 p[illegible] Friday.

The funeral will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at [illegible] funeral home with Rev. Russell Tague of [illegible] Concord United Methodist Church officiati[illegible]

Burial will follow in the Woodla[illegible] cemetery.

Prefered memorials are to Campus Life [illegible] the Concord United Methodist Church.

Wilma Kruger

Wilma M. Kruger, 60, 119 N. Fran[illegible] Street, Garrett, died Friday, Dec. 18 at 10[illegible] a.m.

She was the daughter of Mabel (Johns[illegible] and Clair Woolever, both deceased. S[illegible] vivors included a sister Mrs. Wayne (E[illegible] niece) Miller of Auburn.

The Evening Star regrets the ommiss[illegible]

December 24, 1981 No obituaries

The Evening Star, December 26, 1981

Cecil H. Parker

Cecil H. Parker, 74, Hamilton Lake, Hamilton, died Thursday at 5:45 p.m. at his home. He had been in failing health for seven years.

He was born Aug. 23, 1907 in Douglas County, Illinois to Lewis and Celina Morris Parker. He was married to Normae Myers, who survives.

Mr. Parker was a retired farmer, and also spent 27 years as a bus driver for the Ashley school system. He was a member of the Ashley United Methodist Church, the Hamilton Grange and the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Co-op. He was a former member of the Ashley Lions Club, and a member of the Pleasant Lake Lions Club.

Surviving with the wife are two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Towns, Bluffton and Mrs. Larry Hypes, Avilla; three sons, Ron and Kenneth, both of Route 1, Pleasant Lake, and Floyd of Anderson; two sisters, Mrs. Mary Binkley, Colon, Mich., and Mrs. Lualla Hook, Fremont; a brother Jim, St. Cloud, Fla. and 11 grandchildren. A brother preceded in death.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Monday in the Feller Funeral Home, Waterloo with Rev. Ruben Zepick officiating. Burial will be in the Fairfield Cemetery. Friends may call after 2 p.m. Sunday. Memorials may be sent to the Hospice of Hope Society.

Cecil Parker

John Clark

GARRETT — John L. Clark, 24, 0435 County Road 34, Corunna, died Christmas Day at 2 p.m. in his home.

Mr. Clark was born Oct. 9, 1957 in Fort Wayne. He was employed as a pattern maker at Diversified Patterns in Avilla, and was a member of Auburn First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving are his parents, George and Shirley (Emerson) Clark, County Road 34, Corunna; two brothers, Christopher, at home; and George Clark III, Corunna; two sisters, Katherine, at home; and Candace, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Friends may call at McKee-Miles Funeral Home from 6-9 p.m. Tuesday. Private family services will be held Wednesday at the Presbyterian Church in Auburn.

Memorials to the Mental Health Association "We the Living" group are preferred.

Carrie Wynkoop

BUTLER — Carrie A. Wynkoop, 92, of Route 2, died early Sunday morning at Meadow Haven Nursing Home.

She was born March 27, 1889, in Continental, Ohio, the daughter of Michael and Salina (Weaver) Shaffner and was a lifetime resident of the Butler area. She was a member of Jerusalem Church and its ladies aid.

Mrs. Wynkoop's husband L.C. Wynkoop preceded her in death June 1966.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Charles (Marie) Metcalf of Hamilton; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Wilson Funeral Home, Hamilton, with Jeff Strite officiating.

Burial will be in Butler Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 4-9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

Emerson Misener

CLYDE, Ohio — Emerson "Pappy" Misener, 86, Clyde, Ohio, died Saturday at 12:38 a.m. in the Cleveland Veteran's Administration Hospital. He had been ill two years.

He was the father of Mrs. Leslie (Sylvia) Stickney, Auburn.

Mr. Misener was born July 7, 1895 in Brandon, Mich. to Charles and Ester Misener.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Stickney of Auburn and Mrs. William H. (Jean) Brown, Clyde, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Russell, Troy, Mich. and Mrs. Bernard (Berniece) Carroll, Oxford, Mich.; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

One son and a sister preceded him in death.

Mr. Misener was a veteran of World War I and a member of the Sandusky County C.B. club. He was a retired General Motors employee.

Calling for friends will be from 2-4 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m. today at the Mitchell-Auxter Funeral Home in Clyde, Ohio. Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday. Rev. Janet Long of the Clyde Christian Church will officiate. Burial will follow in the McPhearson Cemetery. Preferred memorials are to the Clyde Christian Church.

John Mulligan

BRYAN, Ohio — John C. Mulligan, 60, Route 5, Bryan, died early this morning in Bryan Community Hospital of an apparent heart attack. He was employed by Dana Corporation of Auburn as a machinist.

Mr. Mulligan was born June 10, 1921 in Manning, La. to Edward and Mary Mulligan. He married Geraldine M. Kennerk on Nov. 24, 1949 in the St. Rose Catholic Church in Monroeville, Ind. His wife survives.

Also surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Donald (Colleen "Connie") Heber, Route 1, New Haven; three sons, John Mulligan Jr., Bryan; Edward Mulligan, Beloit, Wis.; and Patrick Mulligan, Montpelier; one brother, Arthur Mulligan, Florida; four sisters, Mrs. Gerald (Margaretta) Falzer, Topeka, Kan.; Mrs. Geneviave Gildea, Fort Wayne; Dorothy Mulligan, Albuquerque, N.M.; and Katherine Mulligan, Indianapolis; and six grandchildren.

An infant son and four brothers and sisters preceded him in death.

Mr. Mulligan was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army Air Corps. He was a member of the Catholic Church.

Calling for friends will be at the Oberlin & Ford Memorial Funeral Home in Bryan after 2 p.m. Wednesday. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home with Rev. Father Thomas Beauregard of St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Bryan, officiating. Burial will follow in the St. Louis Befancon Cemetery, New Haven.

Memorials to a charity of the donor's choice are preferred.

Relatives omitted

Two deceased relatives were omitted from Monday's death notice of Carrie Wynkoop, 92, Route 2, Butler.

A son, Arlo Wynkoop, and a daughter, Gail Brand, preceded Mrs. Wynkoop in death.

The Evening Star, December 30, 1981

Robert Ware

Robert E. Ware, 50, Auburn, died Monday in Fort Wayne.

He was born Feb. 16, 1931 in Auburn. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gale C. Allen, Auburn.

Also surviving are three daughters, Becky Ware, Janet Ware, and Wendy Ware, all of California; a son, Ricky Ware, Calif.; two brothers, Jack Ware, Auburn and Ronald Ware, Fort Wayne; and a sister, Jacqueline Smith, Fort Wayne.

Mr. Ware was retired from the Navy. He was a veteran of the Korean conflict.

Calling for friends will be today from 5-7 p.m. at D.O. McComb & Sons Auburn Chapel. Private funeral services will be Thursday. Burial will follow in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Harold A. Miller

Harold A. Miller, 81, 404 Harding St., Kendallville, died at noon Wednesday at his residence. He had been a lifetime DeKalb County resident until moving to Kendallville nine years ago. He was a retired farmer.

Born Nov. 2, 1900, in DeKalb County, he was the son of Arden and Katie (Kling) Miller.

His only survivor is his wife, the former Gladys Johnson.

Graveside services will be at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Scipio Cemetery, Allen County, with Rev. Michael Malone officiating. There will be no calling hours.

Memorials may be directed to the North Scipio United Methodist Church.

Nellie Spice

FORT WAYNE — Nellie Spice, 92, formerly of Fort Wayne, died Tuesday at Whitley County Hospital in Columbia City. She had lived in a nursing home the past 2½ years.

Mrs. Spice was born in Kent County, England on Jan. 20, 1889. She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church in Fort W yne.

Surviving are three sons, Edward Spice, Waterloo; and Charles and Ronald, both of Fort Wayne; and a daughter, Mrs. John Hall, Columbia City.

Friends may call at D.O. McComb & Sons Lakeside Park Funeral Home in Fort Wayne on Thursday from 3-5 p.m. and Friday from 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Calling at Trinity Episcopal Church will be from 9-10 a.m. Saturday.

Services will be in the church at 10 a.m. Saturday. Burial will be in Eel River Cemetery, Churubusco.

Memorials to the church's spiritual wreath fund are preferred.

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